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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL S. N. COMPANY.

LIST OF DEPARTURES FROM BOMBAY FOR MARSEILLES & LONDON

WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT BRINDISI AND MALTA.

Date of Sailing.	Steamer.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons.
1910. 24th Dec.	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	9505
31st "	EGYPT	7912	.....	...
1911 7th Jan.	SALSETTE	6000	MOREA	10890
14th "	HIMALAYA	6908	.....	...
21st "	SALSETTE	6000	MOOLTAN	9621
28th "	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	...
4th Feb.	SALSETTE	6000	CHINA	7932
11th "	DELTA	8062	.....	...
18th "	SALSETTE	6000	MANTUA	10885
25th "	ARABIA	7932	....	...
4th March	MALWA	10863	....	...
11th "	EGYPT	7912	....	...
18th "	SALSETTE	6000	MACEDONIA	10512
25th "	* ARCADIA	7000	....	...
31st "	PERSIA	7951	....	...
1st April	MARMORA	10509	....	...
8th "	CALEDONIA	7558	....	...
14th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOLDAVIA	9500
22nd "	MANTUA	10865	....	...
29th "	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	9505
6th May	ARABIA	7903	....	...
13th "	SALSETTE	6000	MOREA	10890
20th "	EGYPT	7912	....	...

The above Mail Steamers are fitted with WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The above Steamers convey Passengers to Marseilles, Plymouth and London.

Passengers for Brindisi tranship to a connecting Steamer at Port Said.

Tenders leave the BALLARD PIER on day of sailing. All passengers must attend at that place at 12-30 P. M. for Medical Inspection by the Health Officer of the Port.

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	Single.	Return.
To Marseilles	Rs. 495 or Rs. 594	Rs. 743 or Rs. 891
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FOR BRINDISI and VENICE Transhipping at PORT SAID.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on
D. Baldnino	4,580	Maganzini	15th Jan. 1911

RATES TO THE ABOVE PORTS INCLUSIVE OF WINE, BEER AND FANS.

	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
Single Tickets	Rs. 500	Rs. 350	Rs. 165
Return Tickets available two years	Rs. 750*	Rs. 525	Rs. 247-8

* Inside Cabins, Rs. 400 Single and Rs. 600 Return.

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INTERCHANGEABLE RETURN TICKETS are issued to return either by the Messageries Maritimes from Marseilles or by the Austrian Lloyd from Trieste.

BOMBAY to COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To sail on
Ischia	6,000	G. Belsito	16th Jan. 1911

Fares to COLOMBO Rs. 75, to PENANG Rs. 140 to ..... to SINGAPORE Rs. 165 and to HONGKONG Rs. 220.

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FOR KARACHI.

Weekly from Victoria Dock.

Steamer.	Tons.	Sailing.	Date.	Time.	Route via.
Dumra	1695	Thurs.	22nd Dec.	9 a.m.	via C. M.
Lhasa	2171	Fri.	23rd Dec.	6 a.m.*	direct.
Linga	2171	Mon.	26th Dec.	11 a.m.	†P D & C M

†Porebunder, Dwarka and Cutch Mandvi.
*Or later on arrival of English Mail Steamer.

FOR CUTCH MANDVI KARACHI AND BUSREH (Weekly).

S. S. "Dumra," 1695 tons, on Thursday, 22nd Dec calling (for Mails and Passengers) at Muscat Bushire, Mahomera, also taking Passengers and cargo on through bookings to Ahwaz and Baghdad.

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20th December, 1910.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,

FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

TO MARSEILLES.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captain.	To Sail on THURSDAY
Armand-Behic	6,385	Guionnet	22nd Dec. 1910.
Australien	6,365	Monton	19th Jan. 1911.
Nera	5,538	Cas anova	16th Feb. 1911.
Yarra	4,142	Ristorcelli	16th Mar. 1911.
Dumbea	5,685	Rebu fat	13th April 1911.
Polynesien	6,363	Bruno	11th May 1911.
Australien	6,365	Monton	8th June 1911.
Salazie	4,147	Riquier	6th July 1911.

INTERCHANGEABLE TICKETS.

RETURN TICKETS can be made available for one way by the Messageries Maritimes, and the Return Voyage by the Austrian Lloyd's or the Navigations General Italiana's at Reduced Fares.

TO AUSTRALIA DIRECT AND THE FAR EAST, TRANSHIPPING AT COLOMBO.

Vessels.	Tons.	Captains.	To Sail on or about.
Yarra	4,142	Ristorcelli	30th Dec. 1910.
Dumbea	5,685	Rehufat	27th Jan. 1911.

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REGULAR SAILING FROM BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES AND LIVERPOOL.

The following SAILINGS have been arranged:—

ANCHOR LINE SAILINGS.

Steamer.	Tonnage.	Captain.	Leave Bombay.
Olympia	5124	W. Robertson	29th Dec. 1910.
Circassia	6716	C F Osborne R N R	16th Jan. 1911
Scindia	5106	Wm. Kelso	25th " "
Castalia	6388	J. Hamilton	11th Feb. "

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1911.

Elysia	6368	A. Haig	25th Feb. 1911
Massilia	5091	J. Thomson	16th Mar. "
Olympia	5124	W. Robertson	26th " "
Circassia	5716	C F Osborne R N R	15th Apl. "
Scindia	5106	Wm. Kelso	24th " "
Castalia	6388	J. Hamilton	7th May "
Elysia	6368	A. Haig	20th " "
Massilia	5091	J. Thomson	10th June "

Schedule of the revised rates of fares from Bombay Homeward ports by the Anchor Line steamers:—

	Single.	Return
Bombay to Suez	Rs. 413	627
Bombay to Portsaid	" 446	677
Bombay to Marseilles and back from Liverpool	" 578	924
Bombay to London Overland from Marseilles and back from Liverpool	" 653	999
Bombay to Gibraltar	" 590	891
Bombay to Liverpool	" 605	957
Bombay to New York	" 808	1,340
Bombay to Cairo, including train fare from Suez	" 446	

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Each steamer carries a duly qualified surgeon and experienced Stewardess and is fitted with every comfort.

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AUTHORISED CAPITAL	£ 1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	£ 1,125,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL	£ 562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS	£ 562,500
RESERVE FUNDS	£ 285,000

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The Bank negotiates and collects Bills and grants Drafts payable at its Head Office and Branches, and issues Letters of Credit for the use of Travellers.

The Bank receives Deposits on the following terms:—

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. on the daily balance if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000. Sums over Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms to be ascertained on application.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Rates for Fixed deposits for 12 months and shorter period to be ascertained on application.

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Paid up Capital	$ 15,000,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors	$ 15,000,000
Silver Reserve Fund	$ 16,000,000
Gold Reserve Fund	$ 1,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS AND HEAD OFFICE IN HONGKONG.

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CANTON	MALACCA	SINGAPORE
COLOMBO	MANILA	SOURABAYA
FOOCHOW	NAGASAKI	TIENTSIN
HAMBURG	NEW YORK	YOKOHAMA
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Interest allowed at 2 per cent, per annum on Daily Balance of Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 100,000 provided the sum accrued amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly,

FIXED DEPOSITS

Are received for varying periods up to 12 months on term which may be ascertained on application.

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RESERVE FUNDS ... ,, 16,600,000

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Bombay	Newchwang	
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Hankow	Peking	
Hongkong	Ryojun (Port Arthur)	
Honolulu	San Francisco	
Kobe	Shanghai	
Liaoyang	Tichling	
London	Tientsin	
Lyons	Tokyo	
Fengtien (Mukden)		

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved customers, and interest is allowed at two per cent. per annum on daily balances of Rs. 1,000 upto Rs. 100,000, provided that the amount of half-yearly interest is not less than Rs. 5.

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J. BEGBIE,
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Dated at St. Vincents, Ridge Road, Malabar Hill, Bombay, 19th December, 1910.

GORDHANDAS BHAGWANDAS NAROTAMDAS.

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By Order of the Board,
HORMUSJEE SONS & CO.,
Agents.

Bombay, 6th December, 1910.

THE ASSOCIATED EXCHANGE BANKS.

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Tenders, which must be in the forms provided, with bills of quantities and schedules fully priced out, must be sent in sealed covers addressed to the undersigned, and must be received not later than 4 p. m. On Monday January 23rd, 1911.

The Municipal Commissioners do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

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F. C. EAGLES,
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Hazaribagh Municipality.

Hazaribagh, the 8th December, 1910.

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

THOS. COOK & SON,
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MESSRS. THOS. COOK & SON Beg to Announce that they have PURCHASED the GOOD-WILL of the late firm of Messrs. LATHAM & Co.

And are prepared to transact all Passage, Shipping and Forwarding business with the clients of the late Firm.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

TENDERS are invited by noon, on SATURDAY, the 7th January, 1911, for INSTALLING ELECTRIC LIGHTS and FANS, in the Nursing Sister's Home, J. J. Hospital, Bombay.

Plan may be seen and particulars may be obtained at the office of the Undersigned.

The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, reserves the right to reject all or any Tender and no reason will be given for the acceptance or rejection of all or any Tender.

W. F. STUART MENTETH,
Electrical Engineer, Public Works Department.

Dated, Bombay the 20th December, 1910.

HOUSE VALUATIONS FOR 1911-1912.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE as required by Section 166 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, that the entries as required by clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d), of S. 155 of the aforesaid Act, have been completed as far as practicable in the Ward Assessment Books for the several Wards of the City for the year 1911-1912, and that the said Ward Assessment Books may be inspected at the Office of the Municipal Assessor and Collector between the 21st instant and 15th proximo.

I also give notice under S. 162 (1) of the aforesaid Act that all complaints against the amount of any rateable value entered in the said Ward Assessment Books will be received in my Office on or before the 15th January, 1911.

Complaints must be made by the property owners themselves or by persons duly deputed to act for them in the matter under stamped Power of Attorney.

P. R. CADELL,
Ag. Municipal Commissioner, for the City of Bombay.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 20th December, 1910.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT & COMPANY,
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF MACHINERY, ELECTRIC FITTINGS, FANS, LIGHTS, ETC.

Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, the 22nd instant, sell by Public Auction, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Balasis Road, near Kemp & Co.'s shop, by order of Messrs. Tajbhoy Allibhoy and Sons and Mr. Noorbhoy Jeewaji (dissolving partnership) the following machinery, etc.

Burnham patent deep well-engine 6½ × 16, one lot of large and small brass and copper American steam whistle with valve, one lot of brass and plated lubricators, brass automatic injector by Penberty Injector Co, one lot rubber scrap and hose, one Eximo Duplex pump, small and large donkey pumps, hand pumps, wood trimmer machines, one 20th century engine by Bromnell Co., one large Oliver saw bench, electric ceilings, fans, table fans, one lot tin shades and globes for electric lights, arches, one lot writing ink bottles, one lot bottles of Crossby's oil blacking and soap for harness.

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A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

On SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

At 2 P.M. (S.T.)

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1 handsome strong rubber-tyred palanquin office shigram in good order.

1 grey Arab, quiet in harness.

1 bay pony, quiet in harness and saddle.

On SATURDAY the 24th instant, at 2 p. m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Old Oriental Bank Building, Medows Street, Fort, opposite Taraporewala Bookseller's, the valuable and handsome teakwood and blackwood plain and carved household furniture, rich glass and crockery ware, best plateware, dining table and chairs, large sideboards and dumbwaiter, drawingroom suite, drawingroom cabinets, glass door almyrahs, handsome flower vases and table ornaments, rich pictures and oleographs, one handsome sweet toned cottage piano, one revolving top writing table, chest-of-drawers, teapoys, marble top dressing and wash-hand tables, single and double bedsteads, Hinks's and Pitman's table and hanging lamps, ice box, Persian and Brussels carpets, alluminium utensels, etc., etc., the property of E. Lawrence, Esq., and others.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 21st December, 1910.

J. S. MODY AND COMPANY,
AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS,
24-26 Bank Street, Fort.

AUCTION SALE of the undivided one-third share in the valuable landed property situate at Lawrence De Lima Street, Mazagaon.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY the 21st December 1910, at 5 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. J. S. MODY and Co., Auctioneers, are instructed to sell by Public Auction on the premises by order of Messrs. Kharsetji Edulji Surti and Dossabhoy Edulji Surti, the Executors of the last will and testament of Bai Soonabai, widow of Faridanjee Kharsetji Modi, deceased, all that the undivided one-third share of the said deceased in the following landed property, namely:—

All that piece of Government land of the quit and ground rent tenure with the messuage, tenement or dwellinghouse standing thereon situate at Lawrence De Lima Street, Mazagon, outside the Fort in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1,184 4-9 (one thousand one hundred and eighty-four and four-ninths) square yards or thereabouts, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Nos. 209 to 216, New No. 11,523, Old Survey Nos. 561 to 562, New Survey No. 3,600, and assessed by the Collector of Municipal rates and taxes under E. Ward Nos. 5094-5085 (1) 5621-5085 (1 A), Street Nos. 2, 4, 6, 8 and bounded on or towards the East by Lawrence De Lima Street aforesaid, on or towards the West by vacant ground belonging to Municipality, on or towards the North by the property of Allibhoy Shamfally and on or towards the South by the property lately of Bai Soonabai, widow of Faridoonji Cursetji Modi, but now of Dossabhai Edulji Surti and Bai Pirojbai, wife of Mr. Manchershaw N. Chandabhoy and which premises are now in the occupation of the tenants of the vendors.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to Messrs. Ardeshir, Hormusji Dinshaw and Co., Attorneys for the executors aforesaid, at their office at No. 29, Esplanade Road, Fort, or to the undersigned.

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MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 21st December, 1910.

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AUCTION SALE of VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY at RIPON ROAD, near the Masjid, Byculla.

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Bombay, 21st December, 1910.

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SALE OF 4 BUNCHES PEARLS.

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INTEREST is allowed on Daily Balances from Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum and on sums over Rs. 1,00,000 by special arrangement. No interest which does not amount to Rs. 3 per half year will be allowed.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Amounts for 12 months are received at 4½ per cent and for other periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

LOANS, OVERDRAFTS, & CASH CREDITS.

The Bank grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved security;

The Bank undertakes on behalf of its Constituents the safe custody of Shares and Securities and the collection of dividends and interest thereon; it also undertakes the sale and purchase of Government Paper and all descriptions of Stocks at moderate charges, particulars of which may be had on application.

H. P. STRINGFELLOW,
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INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

HEAD OFFICE: NEW YORK.
Capital paid up.....Gold $ 3,250,000.00
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THE CORPORATION sells drafts and cable transfers on the principal cities of Europe, America, Australia, China and Japan, buys Bills of Exchange, issues Letters of Credit, and carries on every description of Banking and Exchange business.

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HEAD OFFICE:
"7, Green Street, Fort, Bombay."
BRANCHES:
Mandvi (Bombay), Surat, Baroda, Ahmedabad, Bhavanagar, Rajkot, Karachi and Hyderabad (Sind).

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL
Rs. 50,00,000.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and interest allowed on daily balances from Rs. 100 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum, and on sums over Rs. 1,00,000 by special arrangement. No interest which does not amount to Rs. 2 per half year will be allowed.

SAVINGS BANK.

Interest allowed at 4 per cent. per annum, rules on application.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Rates for Fixed Deposits for 12 months and shorter periods to be ascertained on application.

LOANS OVERDRAFTS AND CASH CREDITS.

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BANKS.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... £ 1,600,000
PAID UP CAPITAL..... £ 800,000
RESERVE FUND..... £ 800,000

HEAD OFFICE:
17, BISHOPSGATE STREET WITHIN, LONDON, E. C.

BRANCHES:

Calcutta,	Chittagong,	Nawara-Eliya,
Bombay,	Tuticorin,	Aden (Camp.)
Madras,	Cochin,	Aden, (Steamer Point)
Karachi,	Rangoon,	Zanzibar,
Lahore	Mandalay,	Mombasa,
Amritsar,	Colombo,	Nairobi,
Delhi,	Kandy	Entebbe,
Cawnpore		

FIXED DEPOSITS.—The Bank receives DEPOSITS FIXED for one year and shorter periods, at Rates of Interest to be ascertained on application.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved Customers, and interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, payable in the principal Cities of Europe, India, China, Africa, and Australia purchased or collected.

DRAFTS are granted on the Head Office and Branches of the Bank and on the principal Cities of Europe, Africa, America, and Australia. Remittances may be made by telegram.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares and receive same for safe custody, realising interest and Dividends when due.

LOANS and CASH CREDITS granted on approved Securities.

Post Box No. 141.
BOMBAY.

J. BLACK,
Ag. Manager.

ALLIANCE BANK OF SIMLA, LD.

CAPITAL (Paid up).....Rs. 20,00,000
RESERVE FUND (in Government Paper).....Rs. 28,00,000

HEAD OFFICE: SIMLA.

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DAILY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON, December 19.

2 1-2 per cent. Consols ...	... 79 7-16—1-16
per cent. Rentes ...	... 97 ex unchgd
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Stock (Sterling Loan)	... 94 3-4 unchgd
1-2 per cent. Got. Securities	... 63 1-2 unchgd
Bar Silver in London ...	... 25 5-16 + 1-16
Do. 2 months hence	25 1-2 + 1-16
Closing Tone of Silver—Rise caused by Indian and China buying	
Silver in New York ...	... 54 3-4—1-4
Exchange on London at Paris Fcs	25-27—1-2
Do. Berlin	... 20-42—1
Do. New York	4 85 5-8 + 1-4
Discount Bank of England Rate 4 1-2 p c. since 1-12-10	
Discount Bank Bills 3 months' sight..	3 1-2 + 1-8
Do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight.	3 2-8 + 1-8
Do. Fine Trade Bills 3 months...	4 unchgd
Do. Fine Trade Bills 6 months...	4 unchgd
Interest day-to-day loans ...	... 2 3-4 + 1-4
Do. of day market loans	... 3 1-8 + 1-8
Bar Gold (per oz.) ...	77 9 1-8 unchgd
Bills on Bombay	Rs. 1,500,000 at 1s. 4 3-32d.

MANCHESTER, December 19.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL—

Spots	Good demand, Steady.		
Futures	...	Steady.	
East Indian	...	Quiet.	
Manchester	...	Quiet and Firm.	
Sales of East Indian	...	...	12,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export			1,000
Imports	...		54,000
Mid-Americans	...		8-14 + 5
Egyptian F.G.F. Brown	...		11 1-8 unchgd

	D.-J.	J.-F.	F.-M.
Cotton Delivery	7·85	7·95	7·97
	+ 5	+ 5	+ 5
Mid. Uplands	M.-A.	A.-M.	M.-J.
	7·89	7·99	8·00
	+ 5	+ 4	+ 4
G. O. C.	J.-J.	J.-A.	A.-S.
	7·95	7·97	7·77
Liverpool	+ 4	+ 4	+ 4

NEW YORK, December 19.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

COTTON :—

		bales.
Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports	...	62,000
Do Last year	...	37,000
Do. Exports to Great Britain	...	22,000
Do. Exports to Continent	...	24,000
Spot Cotton—		15-25+10
Futures at New York		Advanced on firm
Jan. 14-24+ 5		southern spot mar-
Do at New York		ket and unfavored
May 15-14+ 5		demand and on limited offering.

NEW ORLEANS.—

Spot Cotton	... 14 15-16 + 1-16
Futures—Month of Jan.	... 15-10+ 5
Do. do. May	... 15-20+ 5

Closing Tone of Futures—Firm.

LONDON, December 19.

WHEAT.

Wheat Choice White Karachi	... 38 1-4
Do Months—Dec.-Jan.	
Do Name of Ports—London.	
Do Whether Sellers, &c.—Sellers.	
Wheat Afloat for United Kingdom	... 1,990,000

SEEDS.

Rapeseed—Yellow Gujrat per 416 lbs 85 per cent ex-ship. ... 43 1-4

Do.	Months—Dec.-Jan.
Do.	Name of Ports—Dunkirk.
Do.	Whether Buyers, or Sellers etc.—Sellers.

Rapeseed—Yellow Cawnpore, per 416 lbs 85 per cent ex-ship ... 44 3-4

Do.	Months—Dec.-Jan.
Do.	Name of Ports—Antwerp
Do.	Weather Buyers or Sellers, etc.—Sellers.

Rapeseed—Brown Cawnpore 39 lbs. ex-ship ... 39

Do.	Months—Dec.-Jan.
Do.	Name of Ports—Antwerp.
Do.	Whether Buyers, or Sellers, etc.—Sellers.
Tone of Rapeseed.—Dull.	
Linseed—Bombay, per 416 lbs. ex-ship ...	52
Do.	Months—April-May.
Do.	Name of Ports—Antwerp.
Do.	Whether Buyers or Sellers, etc.—Sellers.
Tone of Linseed.—Firmer.	
Linseed Argentine—La Plata—	... 58 3-4
Do.	Months—Jan.-Feb.
Do.	Name of Ports—Antwerp.
Do.	Weather Buyers or Sellers, etc.—Value.

SUGAR.

German granulated sugar C. and F. India double bags, ... 12-1 1-2
Months of Shipment,—May-Aug.—Sellers.
Tone of Sugar—Dull.

RUBBER.

Para Rubber 6-2

COFFEE.

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality). 13 1-2

ARRIVALS.

"Salsette" "Tonkin."

BOMBAY, December 20.

EXCHANGE.

Market is steady.
We quote :—
Bank's selling—

T. T. Ready	...	1s. 4 1-16d.
D. D. Mail	...	1s. 4 3-32d.
T. T. Forward	...	1s. 4 3-32d. Jan.
Bank's Buying—		
Private D. D. Ready	...	1s. 4 1-8d.
Credits 3 m/s "	...	1s. 4 9-32d.
" " Forward	...	1s. 4 1-4d. Mar.
" 6 m/s Ready	...	1s. 4 13-32d.
Francs 3 m/s "	...	171 1-4
Marks 3 m/s "	...	139 1-4
60 d/s. Hongkong	...	135 1-4
" Shanghai	...	132
" Japan	...	149 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

Market opened at Rs. 94-10 for this settlement and Rs. 94-12 for next account and has later on improved to Rs. 94-15 and Rs. 95 1-16 at which rate buyers at the close.

Bengal Hand Gin.. Fine	...	302	
" F Good	...	259	
Bengal Machine Gin. Fine	...	318	
" F Good	...	305	
Sind Punjab Fine	...	317	
" F Good	...	304	
Khandesh Fine	...	324	
" F Good	...	324	
Dhamangaon Foolgaon Fine	...	353	
F Good	...	346	
Akola Knangsum Fine	...	350	
" F Good	...	340	
Amraoti Fine	...	350	
" F Good	...	349	
Yeotmal Fine	...	358	
" F Good	...	348	
Nagpore Fine	...	361	
" F Good	...	351	
Wardha Hingaghat Fine	—	364	
F Good	...	354	
Methia Fine	...	333	
" F Good	...	323	
Broach Gin Fine	...	376	
" F Good	...	366	
Broach Gin Good	...	358	
Sawginned Good	...	324	
Comptah Gin	...	346	
Westerns H. G	...	346	
Do M G	...	352	

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 48 hours ended at 6 p.m. on Monday, 19th December, 1910 :—

Khandesh	...	2,003 Bales
Central India	...	320 "
Barsi and Nagur	...	1,078 "
Berar	...	1,911 "
Central Provinces...	...	1,098 "
Oomras	...	6,410 "
Dhollera	...	559 "
Broach	...	... "
Coompta and Dharwar	...	65 "
Westerns	...	38 "
Bengal N. W. P.	...	2,712 "
Bengals Rajputana	...	860 "
Rajputana...	...	... "
Sind	...	1,917 "
Persia	...	... "
American	...	... "
Egyptian	...	... "
Other sorts	...	... "
Total...		12,459

METALS.

We quote:—

		bs.
Copper Braziers 4×4		27
		28 } Rs. 53 12
		35
		42
		56
		63
		70 } Rs.55 8
		77
		84
Yellow Metal Sheets		21
		28
		35 " 45 0
		42
		49
		56
Tin Ingots		... " 47 4
Georgshutte		... " 20 8
Copper Sheetings		... " 59 0
Yellow Metal Sheetings, ...		... " 47 4
Copper Ingots		... " 46 12

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Monday, Dec. 19.

GOLD.

No. of Packages.	Bullion	Sovs. and half Sovs.	Other Coin.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
10 Cases	7,50,000		.....

SILVER.

No. of Packages.	Bullions.	Govt. of India Rs.	Other coin.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1 Parcel ...	15	.....	.....

Importers.	Vessels.	From
Comptoir National de Paris ...	Koerber	Port Said
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ...	Arabia	London

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY by rail on 17th and 18th December, 1910.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway ...	37	46,625
B. B. & C. I. Railway ...	48	56,562

BULLION.

Bar silver was 1-16 up both for ready and forward in London and New York declined by 1-4.

Business in silver in the local market was done at Rs. 73-7-0. Private cables advised London market to be steady. The tone of the local market was easier but there being poor demand the rate at the close declined to Rs. 73-4 about 50 slabs changed hands.

The gold market was quiet. Demand was poor and rates fluctuated by one anna. Sovereigns were in demand and rates were easier by half an anna.

GOLD.

		Rs.	a.	p.
97 touch Fakirsett ...	...	23	6	0
97 touch Chintu ...	...	23	6	0
Narendas Motilal's Chop Swadeshi 96 to 99 touch		23	15	9
National Bank ...	...	23	15	9
Chartered Bank ...	...	23	14	9
Sovereigns Shield ...	...	15	2	0
Do. Dragon ...	...	15	0	0
Australian ...	...	24	0	0
English Gold ...	...	24	0	0
Native Bullion ...	...	23	14	3
Indian Specie Bank ...	...	23	14	3

SILVER.

117 1-2 Penny	...	73	5	0
117 Penny Ready	...	73	4	0
Local per tola	...	0	11	0

FUTURES.

First Settlement	...	73	4	6
Second do	...	73	3	0

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

Linseed.—Firm. London rates were 3d. up. Local rate remained steady.

Rapeseed.—Quiet. No change to report.

Wheat.—Quiet. Local rate advanced by one anna. Demand meagre.

Castor, Cottonseed, Groundnut, Poppy, Mowra and Gingelly.—Quiet, but steady. No change in rates. Demand moderate.

Descriptions.	Rs.	a.	p.
Linseed, Bold	...Rs. 12	0	0
Linseed, Small	... ,, 11	12	0
Linseed, Brown	... ,, 12	1	0
RAPESEED—			
Brown Delhi	... ,, 6	5	0
Brown Cawnpore	... ,, 6	4	0
Yellow do.	... ,, 7	4	0
Do. Gujarat	... ,, 7	10	0
Brown Katni	... ,, 6	14	0
Poppyseed	... ,, 9	8	0
Castorseed	... ,, 38	to	39
WHEAT—			
Pissi	... ,, 31	to	33
Hard Red	... ,, 27	to	29
GINGELLYSEED—			
Yellow Hinganghat	... ,, 52	to	54
Rai Khandesh	... ,, 75	to	90
Mowraseed	... ,,	14	
Groundnuts	... ,, 48	to	50
Cottonseed	... ,, 26	to	27
Maize	... ,, 15	to	17
Wheat Yellow	... ,, 36	to	38
Khandwa	... ,, 42	to	45
Bajaro	... ,, 26	to	27
Jowar	... ,, 15	to	16
Gram	... ,, 21	to	24
Mimbara	... ,, 52	to	58
Brown Jubbulpore	... ,, 47	to	48
Brown Meggi	... ,, 48	to	49
Kabra	... ,, 49	to	51
Black Katni	... ,, 44	to	45
Myrabollams	... ,, 17	to	19

The following are the receipts of Wheat and Seeds into Bombay during the 48 hours ended at 6 p. m. on Monday, 19th December, 1910 :—

Wheat	...	...	28,707 cwts
Linseed	...	...	590 "
Rapeseed	...	...	1,062 "
Gingellyseed	...	...	24,953 "
Poppyseed	...	...	306 "
Groundnuts..	...	...	7,721 "
Castorseed	...	...	2,069 "
Rice	...	...	1,970 "
Myrabollams	...	...	719 "
Cottonseed	...	...	26,598 "
Mowraseed	...	...	271 "
Gram	...	...	5,488 "
Joowar	...	...	1,702 "
Maize	...	...	428 "

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay	...	...	1,565
India	...	...	64
Indian Specie	...	...	53 1-2
Bank of Burma	...	...	125

MILLS.

David	...	...	355
Manockji Petit	...	...	2,655
New Great Eastern	...	...	162 1-2

PRESSES.

New Berar	...	...	565

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay E. S. & T. C. Ordinary	...		120
Bombay E. S. & T. C. Preference...			168
Bombay Steam Navigation Ordinary			290
Treacher and Co.	...	...	475
Tata I. & S. Co. Ld. Ord	...	...	43

RAILWAY.

Tapti Valley	...	...	480

COTTON.

Liverpool was 4 and 6 up. New York 10 up and futures 5 and 5 up. The tone of the local market was firm and demand both from exporters and mills being moderate and rates declined by Re. 1 to Rs. 2. The opener advised 1 to 4 points up. The rate for new crop fluctuated by Rs. 3 to Rs. 4 on account of good demand. The rate for new Broach opened at Rs. 358 1-2 but on account of good demand it advanced to Rs. 361.

500	Japan T & Co	Mulkupur	341-342
200	Do	Kunkawar	328
100	R D Master & Co.	Khandesh	343
100	Do	Bengal	328
300	E D Sassoon & Co.	Bengal	291
100	Colaba Land Mill	Do	292
500	W Wolf & Sons	Do	315-325
300	Jamshed Mill	Do	317-330
200	Volkart Bros	Do	298
500	Do	Khandesh	338
100	Ralli Bros	Yeotmal	363

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcement of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and MEMORIAM NOTICES, which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line, CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

KARACHI.

MARRIAGE.

NEHDHAM—LYNN—December 19, at St. Paul's Manora, Sind, by Revd. J. G. H. Williams, M.A., assisted by Revd. E. Keymer, M. A., James Ernest, youngest son of the late Edward Moore Needham, to Dorothy, elder daughter of Graham R. Lynn, M. Inst. C. E., Chief Engineer, Karachi Port Trust.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

MANOLESCUE—RICHARDS—December 14, at the office of the Senior Marriage Registrar of Calcutta, Eugene Manolescue to Julia Richards.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

H. I. M. S. "Gneisenau" open to the public from 4 to 6 p. m.

Excelsior Cinematograph, at Novelty Theatre, 7 to 8 p.m., 8-30 to 9-30 p.m. and 10 to 11 p.m. "The Vestal."

Skating Rink : Practice Session, 8 to 9 a.m. Ladies Session, 9 to 10 a. m. ; Evening Sessions, 6 to 8 p. m. ; 9-30 to 11 p. m.

Maxim : "There is scope for chance everywhere ; let your hook be always hanging ready. In the eddies where you least expect it, there will be a fish."—Ovid.

ENGLISH MAIL.

ARRIVAL.

P. and O. Company's s. s. "Salsette" with the English Mails of the 9th December, which left Aden on Monday morning, is expected to arrive in Bombay harbour at 6 a.m. on Friday.

DEPARTURE.

The P. and O. Co's. steamer "Salsette" leaves Bombay harbour on Saturday.

MUSIC AT THE ESPLANADE.—By kind permission of the Officers of H. I. M. S. "Gneisenau" the band of the ship will play a programme of music at the Esplanade Bandstand to-day at 5-30 p. m.

Mr. Pestonjee Jehangir of Ahmedabad has published a Guzarati version of the Persian Poem by Mr. Sorabjee Cooverjee Tasker, in praise of the Hon'ble Khan Bahadur Naorojee P. Vakil, the Guzerat philanthropist, and with it an address in English extolling the many good qualities of His Excellency the Governor.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—An inquest was held yesterday by Mr. G. F. Chalk, the Coroner of Bombay, touching the death, of Lukaram Yessoo, a labourer aged 25 years. The deceased was employed as a gangman and worked at Dadar, B. B. and C. I. Railway. He was walking between a cabin and the lines. He was knocked down by an engine of a local train and injured. He was brought to Bombay, but died on his way to the hospital. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.—By kind permission of Lt.-Colonel S. J. Sarjant, V. D. and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Ry. Vols., will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Maffandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 p.m. (S.T.), this evening :—

Two-Step	Catch Me Cooper
Grand Finale	Ariele Esch
A. Intermezzo	Liebestraum Blon
B. Dance	Hungarian Brahms
Selection	The Arcadians Monckton
Valse	Midsummer Marigold
Selection	The Girl from Kays Caryll
Character Patrol	The Baby Parade Pryor

EURASIAN BOY DROWNED.—On Monday evening about 7 o'clock, C. E. Dane, a European lad, and Patrick Barbar and Walter Jennings, Eurasian boys, went sailing in the harbour in a jolly boat. About 40 minutes later while the boat was returning a prow sailing up the harbour struck the stern of their boat with the result that the lads Mahomed Kasim Shekhalli was thrown into the sea. Walter Jennings who was about 17 years of age disappeared in the confusion and has not since been found. It is believed he has been drowned. The Water Police searched for the body of the boy, who was a fireman in the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company and lived in Parel with his parents. A look out is kept at all bundars for Jennings' body.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DEC. 20.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Massilia s—4 bales cotton, M Bhimji and Co ; 20 bales wool, D Koondenmull ; 35 bales wool, M Ramjidas; 8 bales wool, E D Sassoon and Co.

Olympia s—100 bales cotton and 900 cwts dilseed, Volkert Bros; 4,000 cwts bone meal, E C Nanji.

Rydal Hall s—2,875 cwts oil cakes, M Jafferbhoy; 1,000 cwts oil cakes, Glade and Co ; 3,200 cwts wheat and 3,000 cwts jowari, Ralli Bros.

FOR LONDON.

Egypt s—4,000 cwts rapeseed and 4,000 cwts musoor, Ralli Bros ; 4,000 cwts castorseed, Ralli Bros ; 400 cwts kismies D Passoo and Co.

FOR NEW YORK.

Olympia s—25 bales cottonfly, K Visram and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Massilia s—103 cwts fennelseed R Jeewandas and Co.

Olympia s—275 bales cotton, Volkart Bros ; 204 cwts gum, R Damji and Co ; 2,970 cwts gingellyseed and 990 cwts rapeseed, J Fachiri ; 2,001 cwts poppyseed and 4,002 cwt gingellyseeds E D Sassoon and Co ; 6,000 cwts wheat, 2,000 cwts rapeseed 275 bales cotton and 18,560 cwts teelseed Ralli Bros.

Rydal Hall s—2,000 cwts groundnuts, E Dewchand and Co; 2,000 cwts gum, M Jafferbhoy ; 9,000 cwts groundnuts, 2,000 cwts castorseed and 11,000 cwts teelseed Ralli Bros ; 2,475 cwts gingellyseed, J Fachiri ; 3,960 cwts wheat, J Fachiri.

FOR GLASGOW.

Olympia s—2,000 cwts muscor and 10,000 cwts wheat, Ralli Bros.

FOR BARCELONA.

Rydal Hall s—110 bales cotton, M Jaithabhoy and Co.

Olympia s—200 bales cotton, Volkert Bros ; 220 bales cotton Glazebrook and Co.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Olympia s—10 bales yarn, Bradbury Brady and Co.

FOR GENOA.

Appledore s—100 bales cotton, A. Moritz and Co ; 1,000 cwts linseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 100 cwts groundnuts, M A Patharia; 2,660 cwts teelseed and 232 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR TRIESTE.

Koerber s—1,925 bales cotton, Volkert Bros ; 284 bales cotton, and 4,000 cwts teelseed, Ralli Bros; 500 cwts myrabolams, Parikh Brothers and Son 1,265 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co.

FOR VENICE.

Koerber s—1,300 bales cotton, Volkert Bros ; 300 bales cotton, A Blascheck and Co.

FOR ANCONA.

Koerber s—100 bales cotton, Volkert Bros.

FOR HAVRE.

Hidalgo s—110 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons.

FOR GHENT.

Hidalgo s—55 bales cotton, James Finlay and Co.

FOR ALEXANDRIA.

Koerber s—1,000 cwts teelseed Ralli Bros.

FOR HAIPHONG.

Nippon s—300 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons.

FOR OSAKA.

Banca s—300 bales cotton, Ralli Bros ; 1 bale cotton, The M B Kaisha.

Nippon s—400 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co ; 100 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha.

FOR MOJI.

Banca s—601 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

Nippon s—500 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha.

FOR KOBE.

Banca s—1,651 bales cotton, Ralli Bros ; 1,000 bales cotton, R D Master and Co ; 14 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha ; 2,469 cwts rapeseed, Bessho and Co.

Nippon s—2,000 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co; 650 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha.

Delta s—300 bales cotton, M M Essabhoy.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

Detta s—100 bales cotton, The Japan Cotton Trading Co ; 300 bales cotton, Framji Sons and Co.

Banca s—200 bales cotton, Dinshaw D Curranee and Co.

Nippon s—322 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Nippon s—500 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co ; 2,000 bales cotton, David Sassoon and Co.

Delta s—6 1-2 chests opium, C Ebrahim and Co ; 22 chests opium, Abraham E J Abraham ; 11 1-2 chests opium G Sobhagmul ; 23 1-2 chests opium, C Bomanji and Co.

A BRITISH-AMERICAN AGREEMENT.

The following Press Note dated the 4th November which has been received from the Government of India, is published for general information and for, compliance by British Indian subjects or persons resident in the Bombay Presidency having such claims :—

"His Majesty's Government and the United States of America have concluded an agreement for arbitration regarding pecuniary claims of British subjects against the United States Government and of citizens of the United States against the British Government. It is anticipated that this agreement will be ratified shortly and when it is all such claims will be barred finally unless presented within four months from the date of ratification. All British Indian subjects or persons resident in India who have claims against the United States Government are requested to communicate their names and addresses as soon as possible to the local Governments of the provinces in which they reside."

THE DECCAN SABHA.

"The Growth of Expenditure."

In view of the growing importance of a careful study of public questions, owing to the recent Constitutional reforms, some of the junior member of the Deccan Sabha of Poona have formed a club for a systematic study of such questions. Members of this Club take up some subject, collect information regarding the same, from authentic sources, official and non-official, and read papers on the same. Mr. N. A. Dravid of the Servants of India Society, read the first paper in the series on 'The Growth of Expenditure of the Government of India" last Sunday before the members of the Club with Dewan Bahadur V. M. Samarth in the chair. Mr. Dravid first explained how an inquiry into this subject, unimportant at no time, has assumed a special importance in recent times in consequence of the increased taxation which the Finance Minister said was necessitated by a fall in the opium revenue and by the pressing necessities of the province of Eastern Bengal and Assam. Mr. Dravid followed the line of argument taken by Mr. Wacha in the letters he contributed to a contemporary on the subject and showed how a reference to the latest Parliamentary Return on (East India) Income and Expenditure fully prove Mr. Wacha's contention that during the last eleven years 'the ratio of the annual growth of expenditure to that of revenue was a trifle more than double.' The paper then explained how the surpluses accruing year after year since 1898-99, had blinded the inexpert to the insidious growth of expenditure all round. The conclusion drawn was that increased taxation was necessitated not by the cause officially mentioned but the rate at which the growth of expenditure was every year outstripping the growth of revenue. Mr. Dravid finally showed how imperatively necessary it was to have a general recasting of our scale of public charges' alluded to by Sir Guy Fleetwood Wilson in para 19 of this yar's Financial Statement."

Professor V. G. Kale of the Fergusson College will read the next paper on 'India in a Scheme of imperial Tariff Reform.'

A telegram to the "Morgenpost," from Yenaya Polyana, states (says the Central News) that Tolstoy's coachman, who accompanied his master on his flight from home, has committed suicide. Since the Count died his servant has been inconsolable, and visiting his master's tomb he opened one of his veins with a kitchen knife and allowed himself to bleed to death.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

Half-Yearly Report.

THE following report contains the most important statistics and extracts from the audited Accounts for the half-year ended at 30th June last of the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway, and of the Rajputana-Malwa Lines, including totals showing the gross expenditure divided between the Broad and Metre gauge lines on the basis of actual expenses on each section. The total length of Railway forming the system worked by the Company at the end of the half-year was 3,134·09 miles. (This does not include the open mileage of the Nagda-Muttra Railway, 339·35 miles, as this Railway does not at present form part of the Company's system, but is being worked for the Government on the basis of actual expenses.) This mileage was made up as follows, viz:—

I. Combined system.—Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway, on a 5 ft. 6 in. gauge 465·12, and on a metre gauge, 39·23, making a total mileage of 504·35 miles. Rajputana-Malwa and Cawnpore-Achnera Railway, on a 5 ft. 6 in. gauge, 2·10, on a metre gauge, 1,772·33 ; Rajputana-Malwa (Godhra-Rutlam-Nagda Section) on a 5 ft. 6 in. gauge, 141·14 ; Palanpur-Deesa Railway on a metre gauge, 17·28 making a total of 1,933·85 miles.

II. Lines worked for Native States or other Companies.—Nagda-Ujjain Railway, on a 5ft. 6in. gauge 34·32 ; H. H. the Gaekwar's Railways Petlad, 21·49 (5ft. 6in.) Vijapur-Kadi-Kalol, 41·37 (metre) Mehsana, 138·01 (metre), Dubhoe, 9·47 (2ft. 6in.) ; Jeypore State Railway, on a metre gauge, 72·84 ; Rajpipla State Railway, on a 2ft. 6in. gauge, 37·37 ; Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway, on a metre gauge, 54·70 ; Ahmedabad-Dholka Railway, on a metre gauge, 33·54 ; Tapti Valley Railway on a 5ft. 6in. gauge, 155·48; and Tarapur-Cambay State Railway, on a 5ft. 6in. gauge, 12·30 making a total of 695·89 miles.

The total mileage of the whole system 3,134·09 miles.

The Capital Stock of the Company stand at £2,000,000, as provided in the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Act, 1906, but further Capital has been provided by the issue in October, 1908, of £4,000,000 3 1-2 per cent. Debenture Stock, under the option vested in the Secretary of State, towards covering the advances made by him for Capital purposes since 1st January, 1906. The interest payable on this debenture Stock, and also that on further advances made by the Secretary of State for Capital outlay, form additional charges against the net earnings of the combined system before division of the surplus earning between Government and the Company.

The total capital expenditure during the half-year for the combined system was Rs. 36,98,889. The previous expenditure since 1st January, 1906, being Rs. 2,53,46,262. This shows the total expenditure on final heads to 30th June, 1910 to be Rs. 2,90,35,151 and adding Rs. 66,44,267, stores and suspense increase since 1st January, 1906, this gives a total capital of Rs. 3,56,79,418.

Of the expenditure of Rs. 21,52,604 incurred on the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway during the half-year, a sum of Rs. 13,94,028 was on account of additional Rolling Stock, and the chief items making up the balance are:—Capital share of renewals with 490 rails, Rs. 1,04,373; Remodelling Surat Station Yard. Rs. 54,889; strengthening Main Line road by additional sleepers, Rs. 38,109; Renewing girders of the Mahi Low-Level bridge at Sevalia, Rs. 1,38,633; Goods Station at Kankaria, Rs. 72,821; additions and alterations to Asarva Station Yard, Rs. 43,118; and land for quadrupling line between Bandra and Bhayndar, Rs. 57,638. On the Rajputana-Malwa Railway a considerable part of the half-year's expenditure was also on additional Rolling Stock, viz., Rs. 5,95,773, and the chief items of outlay on open line works are:—Remodelling Rawari Station Yard, Rs. 30,285; additions and alterations at Bharatpur Station due to entry of Nagda-Muttra Railway, Rs. 69,736, providing cart overbridge at Bharatpur, Rs. 38,201; additional quarters for drivers and clerks of the Locomotive Department at Abu Road, Rs. 30,048; and strengthening the line between Baroda and Nagda by addition of extra sleepers, Rs. 4,52,611.

The gross earnings, expenditure, and net earnings for the half-year are compared below with the figures for the corresponding period of 1909 :—

In Gross Earnings for June, 1910; B B and C I Railway gained Rs 1,32,77,923, R.-M Railway Rs 1,48,48,328 making a combined system total of Rs 2,81,26,251, as compared with Rs 1,22,27,495, Rs 1,26,03,742 and Rs 2,58,31,237 respectively for June 1909. This shows an increase in 1910 of Rs 10,50,428, Rs 12,44,586, making a total of 22,95,014. The expenditure for the combined system was Rs 1,30,81,987, compared with Rs 1,28,00,788 in June, 1909, showing an increase of Rs 2,81,199. Net Earnings for the combined system were Rs 1,50,44,264, compared with Rs 1,30,30,449 for June 1909, showing an increase of Rs 20,13,815. The percentage of Expenditure to Gross Earnings for the combined system is 46·51, compared with 49·36 in June 1909, which shows a decrease of 3·05.

Coaching traffic shows an increase of Rs. 4,64,660 on the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway and of Rs. 4,35,542 on the Rajputana-Malwa Railway ; goods traffic, an increase of Rs. 5,80,260 on the former Railway and of Rs. 7,68,092 on the latter ; sundries, an increase of Rs. 3,149 on the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway, and of Rs. 34,478 on the Rajputana-Malwa Railway ; and Telegraph, an increase of Rs. 2,359 on the former and of Rs. 6,473 on the latter.

The total number of passengers carried and the earnings under the head of coaching traffic compare as under with the corresponding period of 1909 are as follows :—

Total number of passengers 1910 B. B. and C. I. Railway 11,035,522, R.-M. Railway 10,024,395 Combined system 21,059,917, giving total gross earnings of B. B. and C. I. Railway Rs. 45,36,594 R.-M. Railway Rs. 52,29,763, combined system Rs. 97,66,357. Total number of passengers 1909 B. B. and C. I. Railway 10,169,618 R.-M. Railway 8,927,602 combined system 19,097,220; giving gross earnings, B. B. and C. I. Railway—Rs. 40,71,934 R.-M. Railway Rs. 47,94,221 combined system Rs. 88,66,155. This shows an increase in 1910 of Rs. 4,64,660, Rs. 4,35,542 and Rs. 9,00,202.

The increase of Rs. 4,64,660 for the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway, is almost entirely in the Passenger Traffic, all classes showing some improvement in receipts, but the largest being Rs. 3,64,064 under Third Class, due partly to a revival of trade consequent on the good monsoon of 1909, and partly to a larger number of Hindu marriages. The increase of Rs. 4,35,542 for the Rajputana-Malwa Railway is chiefly in the Third Class Passenger Traffic, to the extent of 1,130,642 in number and Rs. 3,98,078 in receipts, this being also due to the revival of trade and to an increased number of Hindu marriages.

The goods traffic totals for 1910 compared with those of the corresponding period of 1909 are in tons: B. B. and C. I. Rly, 1,649,793, R.-M. Rly. 1,495,629, combined system 3,045,422, giving Gross Earnings of Rs. 85,20,782, Rs. 93,46,418 and Rs. 1,78,67,200 respectively. The 1909 totals were tons carried, B. B. and C. I. Rly 1,639,065, R. M. Rly 1,412,856, combined system 3,041,921 ; giving gross earnings of Rs. 79,40,522, Rs. 85,78,326, and Rs. 1,65,18,848, respectively. This gave an increase in 1910 of tons 20,728, 82,773 and 103,901 ; bringing in Rs. 5,80,260, Rs. 7,68,092 and Rs. 13,48,352, respectively.

The whole of the increase of Rs. 5,80,260 in receipts on the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway, was in general merchandise, owing to improved traffic in cotton, raw, and oil-seeds. On the Rajputanas-Malwa Railway, the increase of Rs. 7,68,092 was also wholly in general merchandise, the chief increases being in raw cotton, oil seeds and sugar.

The number of train miles run was 2,207,007 on the Broad-gauge, and 3,729,358 on the Metre-gauge, as compared with 2,146,909 on the former, and 3,810,553 on the latter, in the corresponding period of 1909. The total gross revenue earnings, expenditure, and net earnings, per mean mile worked and per train-mile, compared with the corresponding period of 1909 are as follows :—Mean miles worked on broad

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DOCKYARD.

H M S Dalhousie ...1573 Comdr W Mitchel....R I M
H M S Lawrence.....Comdr Mill.....R I M
M S Hyacinth.....Capt J D Dick .....R N Flagsh'p
R I M S Dufferin.....Comdr A J Marsack.....R I M S

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—Dec 20.

Bandra...351 Barcham Shinghal...18-1-1911 P & O Co
Australier .....Monton .....
Birmingham .....2612 Caller.....T Morrison & Co
Britannia .....3329 Robinson...Adrew Yuel Co
Caledonia.....3529 Haywood .....P & O S N Co
Canterbury.....3733 Willis.....T Morrison & Co
Colombo Maru.....2920 Coombs.....N Y Kaisha
Dalhousie.....2584 Peters .....
Delanda.....3361 McClelland.....M M & Co
Delhi.....505 Elton .....M M & Co
Easterner Range...2468 Blance...W & A Graham & Co
Edavadura.....1723 Logan.....M M & Co
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Elisam .....2041 Macgonnell...T Morrison & Co
Eurasia .....2870 Crebbin.....J Morrison
Ghara .....3439 Kedshe .....M M & Co
Gualimba .....4937 Smith .....M M & Co
Hydal Hall .....2773 Nelson.....Killick Nixon & Co
Jhelum.....522 Willoughby...B & B S N & Co
Ula.....3425 Scott.....M M & Co
Stream
Strombus.....4008 Scott.....W & A Graham & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.—Dec. 20.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Dest.	Date.	Agents
B Hidalgo	2761	Croft	Hull via Karachi	22-12	J Finlay & Co
C&R Appledore	2473	Jones	Manchester	24-12	W & A Graham & Co
D&E Chanda	3951	Tice	Antwerp	N F	M M & Co
F Clan Alpine	2295	Shapland	Cochin	24 12	James Finlay & Co
G Newbridge	2397	Gray	Manchester	24 12	W & A Graham & Co
K Feliciana	2785	Falck	Dunkirk	19-11	W & AGraham & Co
M Dorington Court	2862	Wilson	Antwerp	21-12	W & A G & Co
N Ocean Prince	3288	Barett	Philadelphia	23-12	R A Willis
O Tunbow	902	Kidd	Garston	24-12	W & A Graham & Co
P Gutenfels	3551	Franzius	Hamburg via Karachi	28-12	W & A Graham & Co
Q Haidari	1563	H E Kass	NF	B & P S N Co	

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Clymphia	3269	Mitchell	Liverpool	29 12 W & A Graham & Co
2 Massilia	3250	Thomson	Liverpool	21 12 W & A Graham & Co
3 Kintail	2252	Saunders	Calcutta	21 12 K Nixon & Co
4 Cressington Court	2716	Barcham	Marseilles	31 12 W & A Graham & Co
5 Glenlyon	2654	Anderson	Antwerp	21 12 T Morrison & Co
6 Banca	3794	Collyer	Kobe	24 12 P & O S N Co
7 Nippon	4015	Tarabachin	Kobe	24 12 W Denso
8 Koerber	3164	Floresti	Trieste	1 1 1911 W Denso
13 Egypt	4207	Summers	London	31-12 P & O S N Co
14 Dumra	762	Manley	Basreh	22 12 M Mackenzie & Co
15 Markgraf	2325	Thle	Zanzibar	23 12 A Strandes

H W P D

Bahadur	829		Ahmed	Karachi	20-12 Bo S N Co Ltd
Netravati	629	Fakeera		N F	B S N Co
Ponani	552	Hossein	Bhownagar	20 12	Bo S N Co
Juba	134	Dawood	N F	N F	Bo S N Co Ltd

M W D D

Cresswell	2002	Buff	Repairing	W & A G & Co

30 ton Cranes.

Dredger Jinga	401		B P Trust 14-11

Offside M

Othello	3327	Webster	Repairing	James F & Co Ld

Offside Q

Hoseince	934	Hughes	Jeddah	21 12 B & P S N Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From
19	Ula	Scott	Rangoon, Dec 3
	Hatamet	Peters	Calcutta, Dec 9
20	Chanda	Dico	Antwerp, Nov 18
	Colombo Maru	Coombes	Kobe, Nov 20
	Madura	Logan	P Gulf, &c

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
20	Perlak	Ross	Rangoon
	Beme	Younger	Rangoon, &c
	City of Penares	Elliott	Liverpool, &c
	Ujina	Hill	Calcutta, &c

The following vessels obtained their port-clearances on Tuesday :—

Steamer Delta, Snow, for Shanghai, &c.
" Tuscany, Smellier, for Rotterdam.

The following vessels began to load on Tuesday :—

Steamer Olympia for Liverpool, &c.
" Koerber for Trieste, &c.
" Nippon for China, &c.
" Rydal Hall for Liverpool, &c.
" Madura for Persian Gulf.
" Ula for Persian Gulf.
" Chanda for Antwerp.
" Okara for Calcutta.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Bohemia, left Trieste on the 18th instant and is due here on the 2nd January 1911.

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Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 20th December 1910.
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Via	Latest Dates. D.	H	M.	Time Occupied in Transmission Hrs.	Mts
Turkey ...	19	10	p.m.	27	15
Teheran ...	20	13	35 p.m.	1	20
Suez	20	14	30 p.m.	...	30

NOTICES.

Cable Assab Perim interrupted. Telegrams for Erythrea and Abyssinia are forwarded via Suakim Kassala without additional charge (20-6-09).

Ahwaz line interrupted between Ramhormaz and Ahwaz (23-11-10).

The Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria has conferred the great gold medal of science and literature upon Mr. E. Torday, the leader of the scientific expedition sent out by the British Museum to study the native tribes in the Kasai basin of the Congo.

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Wednesday, 21st Dec. 1910.

INDIAN COTTONS.

MR. G. A. GAMMIE, Imperial Cotton Specialist, is engaged during the current official year, enquiring into the cottons of the Central Provinces, Central India, Guzerat, Kathiawar and the Southern Maratha country, having completed a similar tour in the northern half of India and issued his report thereon. We should have preferred, Bombay being the most important cotton-growing centre, that our own side the peninsula, has been dealt with first; but Mr. Gammie laid his plans otherwise, and presumably we shall have to wait some considerable time before we have the benefit of his observations. In Berar, he finds that cotton occupies the foremost rank among the agricultural crops and in comparison to the total cropped area it is grown much more extensively in that province than in Bombay Presidency. Yet, he adds, it occupies the second place in India so far as cotton cultivation is concerned, Bombay Presidency being first. Nearly two-thirds of the culturable area is put under cotton, the average area ranging between twenty-eight and thirty-one lakhs of acres per annum. The average outturn per acre is about a hundred pounds of clean cotton. Berars has been famous for the cultivation of cotton from the earliest times and has long grown some of the best varieties, yielding a fine strong fibre. It was the home of the once celebrated jari and bani varieties, that afforded a superior sort of material not only to the mill industry in India but also to that in England, while at the time of the Civil War in America when no cotton was received from there, Berar supplied the deficiency to a considerable extent. The two varieties of cotton, above referred to, yielded a long staple, but the outturn of bani was less and more delicate. Both varieties had a reputation in the Bombay market until within the last forty-five years; but they were ousted by Kali Bilayati. The new jari in recent years has become popular as its character is sturdy and can stand both excessive rain and partial drought. Mr. Gaskin, a former director of Agriculture in the Central Provinces, says jari is popular on account of its hardiness and certainty of its yield—a thousand pounds of seed cotton giving 330 lbs of lint per acre; the case with which it is picked up and the fact that it ripens early and as can be placed in the market in October and November. Bulk for bulk its yield is much larger than that of the old jari and bani though the staple is much shorter and less glossy. The old varieties came into the market in January and February, so the new has thrust out the old.

This is the result of the introduction by Government of the seed known as Vilayati or houri, of which free distribution was made. The trial was so successful and it became so popular that the old varieties were driven out. According to Mr. Standen, also a former Director of Agriculture in the Central Provinces, the cultivation of bani on the ghats, south of Berar, is due to a spirit of conservatism on the part of the cultivators rather than to any prudential consideration; for not only does bani yield a smaller proportion of lint than jari, but it gives also under the most favourable circumstances a small average crop and is more liable to damage from the vicissitudes of the season. But jari is in danger of deteriorating. Mr. Gammie finds that on account of the introduction of ginning factories, any seed is used for sowing and no effort is made towards selection. At the commencement of the gin factories, the machine-ginned seeds were looked upon as unsuitable for cultivation, but this prejudice fast died out and the seed for sowing is purchased from Banias who give such seeds as they have at their own price. It is absolutely necessary, he reports to revive the old and useful practice of selecting seed and getting it hand-ginned. In Bombay during the 1909-10, within a radius of ten miles from the Surat farm, seed was distributed to the cultivators by the Agricultural Department. The produces amounting is about a hundred thousand pounds was purchased through the agency of the Department by a gin-owner at Surat, who gave seven rupees more per bhar of 960lbs. for this cotton than for the Surat local cotton. The quantity so purchased will gin out about thirty thousand pounds of seed. In addition to this quantity the Surat Farm will also produce about five thousand pounds of seed and it is the intention of the Deputy Director of Agriculture in this Presidency to distribute the seed to the cultivators of one village only so that this year one village will grow only the cross which will throw sufficient light with regard to the improvement of cotton.

With regard to the cotton of Bengal, Mr. Gammie thinks it may be possible to improve on the varieties grown by the usual methods of selection, in the points on which they are at present not quite satisfactory. The doubt as to whether deshila and bhogila will grow or not, need not actually exist, he says, and the only questions involved are the possibility of increasing the outturn and percentage. At the same time, if samples are supplied to the Calcutta mills, it would be possible to decide whether or not these cottons are really worth growing. Buri appears to have adopted itself admirably to the natural conditions of the higher lands of Bengal. In the Central Provinces, the experience so far gained shows that it withstands a considerably higher rainfall than the local varieties, its outturn and percentage are high and the cotton is valued at the same rate as fine Broach which is accepted as the best of the cottons produced in India. In Bengal, it possesses the valuable characteristic of being a short season variety and being of a low habit of growth it would not compete with a crop such as rahar. Still the experience of the Chaibassa Agricultural station prove that it thrives even under very unfavourable conditions and very careful trials are recommended. Mr. Gammie makes many valuable suggestions, which in face of the news we publish this morning concerning the anticipated shortage, should be communicated without delay to cotton-growers that they may be prepared and able to participate in the profits which seem likely to be realised in the near future.

CHINESE CONSTITUTIONAL EXPERIMENTS.

CHINA has taken to constitutional building in rather more serious earnest than the Prince Regent imagined possible. Not content with a Representative Assembly, the people demand a Cabinet, or that the Grand Council shall be accountable for its actions to the Assembly. And if they do not get the one or other the Assembly threatens to disband. When the last China mail left the agitation had already begun and the Assembly demanded the presence in its own house of the members of the Grand Council, in order that they might be interrogated as to their action in certain matters, first of all with regard to the shortening of the time for the preparation for parliamentary government, and then with regard to the Government's action concerning the Hunan Railway loan. When a body cannot legislate, as this cannot, presumably the next best thing to do is to browbeat those who can, and this the National Assembly has determined to do, thereby making itself virtually a legislative body in spite of all injunctions to the contrary. As a North China Journal observes, the Assembly, with powers undefined except negatively, is trying to find itself. With the creation of the National Assembly the Boards and Councils in Peking do not know where they are. The National Assembly says it represents the people; the will of the people is final; when the National Assembly refers matters to the Grand Council it expects the Grand Council to devise ways and means and then report to the Assembly which, by the way, is not a Parliament, but "the preparation for a Parliament." China is moving a little more rapidly than its rulers desire and heads may be lost, in a double sense. How far the members of the Grand Council and other metropolitan bodies are to be regarded as responsible ministers is a question which awaits solution. They are appointed by the Throne, but they suddenly find themselves called upon to answer to the Assembly for their conduct. They decline of course, but it is clear that they cannot always decline. In the present case they have hidden themselves behind the skirts of the Prince Regent's ample official robes, but this we are assured, will not always be possible. Many in Peking are crying out for a Cabinet. When, if ever, it is formed, what its relation will be to the Assembly or to Parliament, and what will be the relations of the Boards, and especially of the chiefs of the Boards, to the Cabinet in the one direction and the Assembly or Parliament in the other direction, the future only can decide. There are indications that the Boards will take the place in the governmental economy that is taken in the British system by the permanent officials. Ministers of the various departments of state will constitute the Cabinet whilst the men now known as president of boards will become permanent secretaries. But if the Assembly disperses it may find that the summoning of a Parliament may be deferred until the ninth year of Hsuan Tung, the very thing they are most anxious to avoid.

BRAZIL-NUTS.

THE Amazon delta has large tracts of land thickly planted with the great "Castanheiro," the tree that bears the Brazil-nut of commerce. Much as this nut is valued at our tables, the two Brazilian States of which it is indigenous, Para and Amazonas, hold it in light esteem, as long as they can make a profit on any of their other products. While rubber brought good prices, the collection of these nuts was much neglected. But when rubber fell, the nut received more attention. In 1907 Brazil made a quarter of a million sterling on its export, and in 1908, gained very little less from the 8,200 tons shipped abroad. This was not bad for an unconsidered natural product which needs no special cultivation. The Castanheiro reaches a height of about 100 feet, and for forty feet from the ground it is a bare trunk, even its leafy crown is not in proportion to its great size. The nuts are contained in a thick, hard, spherical shell and number anything from ten to thirty. The shell measures about seven inches across and is finished off with a neat lid, at the opposite end from the stem by which the case hangs from the branch. This lid usually gives way when the nut falls or even while it is still hanging on the tree, and then out drop the nuts that were packed within. When the collectors are at work among the trees, the shells come crashing through the branches and they are so heavy that any one unlucky enough to stand directly in their way might be seriously injured. The nuts, gathered in baskets are loaded in canoes, lighters, launches, or any convenient boat and sent down the river to Belem or Manaos. The lots are sold by auction after being "sampled" by intending purchasers who cut 50 or 100 nuts to gauge their quality. The shipping to foreign parts follows without delay and careful stowing away and good ventilation of this cargo is absolutely necessary, for many a fair consignment is of no use when it arrives in port if it has not been frequently turned over and attended to during the voyage. For seeing that this is done, the Captain is usually given a bonus. In Liverpool the Brazil nuts that survive the journey are stored in warehouses, scattered thinly over the floor to keep them dry until they are carried off by merchants for the retail market. Good as the nuts are when they reach England, they are far better in their native air, fresh from the tree, crisp and milky. The United States, England and Germany are the chief consumers of Brazil-nuts, France hardly appreciates them for two hundred weights satisfy all demands there. If vegeterianism extends much more in the Western world, the trade in Brazil-nuts should look up, for they afford in a small compass a great amount of good nutriment agreeable to the taste and well defended against the dangers of adulteration.

ALSACE-LORAINE.

AN eye-sore in the political conditions of Europe has been the Government of the German province of Alsace-Loraine. We can readily recognise that the conditions of Government, which characterise the ruling of that territory were absolutely essential in the case of two provinces captured from a neighbouring frontier power in war. It is now, however, forty years since the two provinces were annexed and Germany might well have adopted a more liberal policy in granting a constitution at an earlier date. However, now that Germany has given the inhabitants of the province a constitution it would be impolitic to labour this point. The inhabitants have at last received recognition of their grievances and their demand for full statehood in the German Empire has obtained due attention. Reuter's cable, published in Monday's issue, described the constitution which has now been granted and we may be permitted to congratulate the great power which is now seeking British friendship on at last having copied the generous policy of which Britain has supplied so notable an instance in its treatment of South Africa.

SUNDAY, being Christmas Day, will be observed as a holiday in this office. There will therefore be no issue of the *Bombay Gazette* on Monday morning.

REUTER cables that the statement made by the *Daily Chronicle* regarding the Queen's condition is authoritatively denied.

THE Governors of the Calcutta Free School in a meeting on Tuesday have decided against the proposal of removing the school to Ranchi.

THE balance remaining from the Bombay St. Andrew's Day (1910) Dinner, amounting to Rs. 124-13-2, has been handed over to the Bombay Scottish Orphanage Society.

THE Arbitrators, Sir John Hewett, Mr. E des E. Chamier, Judical Commissioner of Oudh, and Mr. A. L. Saunders, Commissioner of the Lucknow Division, have just issued their award in the case regarding the succession to the Basaidih Estate in the Sitapur District, Oudh.

A NOTIFICATION from the German Consulate says that persons who wish to see H. I. M. S. "Gneisenau" may do so to-day between 4 and 6 o'clock p. m. and on Sunday between 2 and 6 o'clock p.m. The band of the "Gneisenau" will also play this afternoon from 5-30 p.m. at the Bandstand.

THE goods traffic on the B. B. and C. I. Railway for the week ending 29th November, 1910, shows a decrease on the corresponding week of 1909 of 283,297 maunds with an increase of Rs. 28,030 in the earnings.

COLONEL LLEWELLYN WAVELL, a veteran of the Mutiny and the China and Afghan wars, has been buried at the Camp Cemetery at Aldershot with full military honours.

OF the two Austro-Hungarian Dreadnoughts which are being built at Trieste, No. 1 will be ready by May next and No. 2 in October. Each will cost £2,500,000.

MAJOR GENERAL SCALLON, Secretary to the Government of India, Army Department, has been appointed to the Burma Command and will proceed there in the latter part of February. His successor at Army-Head-Quarters has not yet been appointed.

MALARIAL fever is perhaps at the present time the most important of human diseases. In India alone it has been officially estimated to kill every year on the average 1,120,000 persons. The subject has been long and patiently studied and at last it may be said that final success has been assured. Major Ronald Ross, of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, whose recent work "The Prevention of Malaria," is probably the most exhaustive and authoritative treatise on the subject, has issued a pamphlet which should prove of the greatest possible value in making known to the general public the best practical every-day means for preventing the spread of the disease. With a view to widespread distribution, it is published at the nominal price of 2d. (postage 1d. for 3 copies) by Mr. John Murray, Albemarle Street, London, W.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

BOXING.

(FROM OUR SPORTING CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DEC. 2.

THE boxing world owes much to the late Jem Mace, who fought his last round at Jarrow on Wednesday. The deceased was born at Norwich in 1831, so that he had weathered a few storms in his time. It is no undue praise to say that Mace was greatly responsible for the introduction of scientific boxing, as prior to his time, battles depended mainly on hard hitting and the ability to stand punishment. In all his 500 fights, Mace only lost twice, and one of his conquerors (Tom King), had previously been beaten by Mace. Boxing was not the only forte of the Norfolk man, for he claimed to be able to run half a mile in two mins. during his younger days, while he was also no mean performer on the violin. The name of Jem Mace will live as long as boxing lasts, and England may well feel proud of having produced such a wonder.

THE FUTURE.

Bomb Wells declined a match with Bill Lang of Australia, so the latter has arranged to meet Jack Burns (no relation to Tommy) who is the latest big man from America to reach this country. The venue of the encounter has not yet been decided on, but it will, no doubt, be in London.

Both are fine built men so that something exceptional will be expected when they face each other. Burns has taken up his quarters at Putney, in the house presided over by Tom Sullivan, the ex-champion sculler, so all the requirements of a man in training will be well studied.

Although Wells declined to meet Lang, he had a very good reason for this, viz., his hope to gain the right to be considered the best of the home heavy-weights before meeting a visitor. He and Gunner Moir are virtually matched, and the winner of this contest will very likely take on the successful man of the other contest referred to. The conqueror of this would then be in a position to seek a match with the winner of the Tommy Burns vs. Sam Langford "go," which sportsmen hope will be decided in this country.

BILLIARDS.

One of the most noteworthy events recently was the fine finish of Tom Reece in his heat of the Soho Square tournamentagainst M. Inman, Breaks of 414, 417, and 246 unfinished, enabled him to run out a winner by 821, and so make up for many defeats by his keen rival. But for playing with the wrong ball, the 414 effort might have been increased, but the Oldham man was not disturbed by the mishap his 417 coming directly afterwards.

Stevenson also made a gallery finish in his match with Diggle at Bristol. The latter made a break of 428 on the final afternoon and looked like a winner. Stevenson played splendidly in the evening, however, and by scoring 1,514 to 630 by his rival, won on the post by 386.

George Gray continues to make exceptional breaks, and while a few unfair critics still make themselves look foolish by disparaging the young Australian, he is well entitled to be considered the most wonderful player now before the public. Messrs. Riley have made a very tempting offer to Stevenson, and as the firm which has the champion under contract is willing to release him for a match next spring, we may yet see Gray meeting our best man. The offer to Stevenson if a fee of £200 for a match of 18,000 up with Gray on a Riley table and with crystilite balls. The winner would also get £250, and the firm undertake to subscribe £100 to the Dawson fund, in the event of the match coming off.

Gray is now conceding Nelson 3,000 points in 9,000, up at Manchester. He showed fine form early in the match by making a break of 950, which is the best over made in Newcastle, Stevenson's 802 being the previous highest.

ATHLETICS.

This is hardly the season for good performances on the running path, so that F. M. Baker's 1,000 yards in 2mins. 17 1-5 secs. at Cambridge recently deserves notice. The Cantab is a brilliant mover, but judging by his running in the one mile amateur championship last July, he lacks experience. If he sticks to athletics however, he ought to be of great service at 800 metres by the time the next Olympic Games come along.

Another notable performance recently was the manner F. C. Neave ran away from his rivals in the inter-club race between the Surrey A.C. and Cambridge University. The National champion was 2 mins. 35 secs. in front of the second man when the 7 miles journey was finished, which is a big performance indeed. Now that A. E. Wood has left the amateur ranks, Neave ought to add to his championships, and the blue ribbon events during the coming season promise well.

Mention of Wood reminds one that he and A. Shrubb represented England in a Marathon race at New York early in the week. It was a team event and a runner could relieve his mate at will. The English pair failed to win premier honours, which went to Hans Holmer of Canada and his mate W. Queal. They were credited with covering the 26 miles 385 yards in 2 hours 1min. 10 secs., which is remarkable if correct, even allowing for the men relieving each other.

FOOTBALL.

If race horses showed such strange form as do footballers at times, the Jockey Club Stewards would be kept busy. For instance, Guy's Hospital beat Harlequins on Saturday by 8 points to 3, and yet went down before United Service on Wednesday by 41 points to nil.

The Oxford 'Varsity players continue to win matches, though the margin by which they defeated Blackheath on Saturday was only a narrow one. The Cambridge team cannot seem to get going, and the match against Old Merchant Taylor's on Saturday ended in another reverse for the Light Blues. J. E. Raphael, who assisted the winners, was making his last appearance prior to his world's trip, and he showed fine form in his final.

ASSOCIATION.

Since their first defeat three weeks ago, the Middlesbrough players have gone all to pieces. They experienced their third defeat on visiting Aston Villa on Saturday, and as the champions won by 5 goals to 1, it may be they will again head the League table at the end of the season. This position is now filled by Sunderland, 22 points for 14 matches, and the Wearsiders still enjoy an unbeaten record.

The most important matter in connection with the Second Division lately is the manner Chelsea has come to the front again. The club beat Hull by 2 goals to 0 on Saturday, and as Clapton Orient had to put up with a draw at West Bromwich, there is really nothing between the two London clubs at the moment. Clapton has earned 19 points for 13 games, and Chelsea's total is only two less with a game in hand.

A curious feature of the Scottish League match between Dundee and Celtic on Saturday was the remarkable finish. The Dundee men scored in the last minute, while just as the whistle sounded, Quinn netted the ball for Celtic. Unfortunately for the latter, the no side whistle was heard while the ball was on its journey from Quinn's boot to the net, consequently Dundee took the points.

THE TURF.

Mr. L. W. Winans paid a good sum for Sir Martin, but his outlay was not rewarded. He also bought the Valet to lead the crack in his work, and singularly enough, this horse has now done the stable a good turn by easily winning the Manchester November Handicap. The winner started at 9 to 1, and from the manner he beat the opposition, he is likely to gain more laurels for Mr. Winan.

It fell to the lot of Danny Maher to ride the winner of the Final Plate, which wound up the season's racing on the flat. It was a bloodless victory, however, Mustapha being indulged in a walk over.

Maher again takes premier honours among jockeys, his percentage coming out at 27, as represented by 127 winners in 460 mounts. Frank Wootton is next with 137 wins out of 628 attempts, which gives him a percentage of 21'81.

The lot heading the winning owner's list falls to Mr. Fairie whose horses have won £35,352 in stakes, while Alec Taylor again shows the way to other trainers, the Manton stable having turned out winners of no less than £52,364.

IN GENERAL.

It is now virtually settled that E. Barry and W. Albany will decide a sculling match from Putney to Mortlake next spring.

There is some talk of trying the experiment of matting wickets on some of the public pitches in the London parks.

The Oxford Canadian Club met Princes Club in an ice hockey match a few days ago, the game ending in favour of the Canadians by 8 goals to 5.

F. E. Barker created a new one mile amateur roller skating record last evening. This was in a one mile handicap at the Holland Park rink (9 laps to the mile) which he won from scratch in 3 mins. 3 secs.

Hockey is now a very popular game in England, as the number of important matches each week testifies. Chief of Saturday's fixtures were those in which Devon beat Somerset, 2 goals to 1, and the draw between Cambridge University and Essex.

As these notes will be published about Christmas, the writer takes the opportunity of wishing his readers the compliments of the season and lots of good luck for 1911.

IMPERIAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Session to include Short Vacation.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 20.

It is understood that arrangements are in contemplation, whereby the non-official members of the Imperial Legislative Council will be afforded such facilities as are practicable to prepare their questions and resolutions, while, at the same time, they will enable those who have business elsewhere to curtail their stay in Calcutta considerably.

To this end, a break will be made in the January session, which commences on the third proximo, The Council will sit daily for the first few days, until such business as is ready has been disposed of, and will then separate for a fortnight, or so, when those who have business elsewhere will be able to leave until the end of the month, while others will have leisure to give notice of questions and resolutions which will be able to come up at the end of the month, when the Council will sit for as many days as may be necessary to transact such other business as is then ready.

The Factory Bill, which is certain to evoke a good deal of discussion, is likely to be the principal piece of legislation this session. It will probably be referred to a Select Committee on the opening day.

UNITED PROVINCES EXHIBITION POULTRY SHOW.

List of Principal Prize-Winners.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 20.

At the Poultry Show in the United Provinces Exhibition, the following were the principal prizes winners :—

Nawab of Rampur : Prize for imported Leghorns and Wyandottes, and for Indian-bred Leghorns, Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes.

Kour Saheb of Patiala : Prize for imported Leghorns and Indian-bred Brahmans.

Mrs. James of Patiala : Prize for Minorcas and a silver cup for the best cock in the show.

Mr. Corstorphin : Prize for the best hen in the show.

Mrs. H. Gill : Prize for Indian-bred Cochins and Orpingtons.

Miss H. Peris of Lucknow : Prize for Indian-bred Langshans.

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DEC. 20.

At a meeting of the Committee of the Industrial Conference, with Pundit M. M. Malavya in the chair, it was resolved that, in addition to the resolutions proposed by the General Secretary, which are more or less the same as these passed in the previous years, the following resolutions, viz.: (1) Protesting against the Secretary of State's despatch ordering the abolition of the Department of Commerce and Industry in Madras, and, (2) suggesting that the Government should impose a special duty on imported sugar, in order to protect the indigenous industry, should be placed before the Conference.

MADRAS CHAMBER ANNUAL MEETING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, DEC. 20.

The annual general meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held this evening under the presidency of the Hon'ble Mr. H. S. Fraser, who laid on the table, a summary of the Chamber's work during the year 1909 and delivered an interesting speech. The office bearers for the ensuing year were elected and also the new Imports Sub-Committee.

THE British Admiralty has called upon private builders to tender for an armoured cruiser, which will be the largest in gun power and the speediest yet designed.

PREPARATIONS are being made at Jellalabad for the reception of Jirgahs from the Mohomed and other tribes which will wait upon the Amir.

THE CHINESE ASSEMBLY.

REGENT TEMPERATELY CRITICISED.

Committee Formed to Impeach Grand Councillors.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, Dec. 19.

After a long discussion, the Assembly has appointed a Committee to frame a fresh memorial impeaching the Grand Councillors, individually, and again laying stress on the necessity for the Grand Council to be responsible to the people, adding that otherwise the Assembly will disband.

The speeches, which were temperate, criticised the Regent for the first time in the history of the Assembly.

[A Peking correspondent says that in the Assembly recently debate after debate has taken place on various questions of the day. The Government budget, the press law, and the early convening of parliament may be mentioned as the questions that have received the greatest attention so far. In the course of some of the debates some members representing the people characterised themselves by their out spoken manner, attacking the policy of the Government and the conduct of some officials in a violent manner, but, despite their great enthusiasm in insisting on the points they raised, perfect order has been maintained throughout all the meetings, and this certainly augurs well for the future of China when a regular parliament sits to discuss affairs of the State.

For some time past repeated demands have been made for the production of

THE GOVERNMENT BUDGET.

and though it is not yet forthcoming it may in view of the steps that have been taken not be long before it will be ready for inspection. When it is submitted to the Senate it will probably cause criticism of various kinds, and unless it is carefully and accurately compiled the chances are that it would not be finally accepted and passed until after severe storm of trouble. Already great attention is being paid to the compilation of the budget and surmises have been made as to what effect it would likely produce on the existing conditions of the country. It must be realised that the budget question is something new to China, and it is stated that serious difficulties are experienced in dealing with it satisfactorily. The question, as is generally understood, concerns directly the Tuchi Pu (Board of Finance), which has control of financial matters throughout the Empire and, under present circumstances, the men connected with it are kept working hard in order to produce the budget without further delay. Of late rumours have been circulated to the effect that there is a desire on the part of Duke Tsai Tao to resign his position as president of the Board, and that Sheng Kung Pao will be appointed to be his successor, and if the rumours should prove true it would clearly indicate the present position of affairs of the Board and the

PERPLEXING PROBLEMS WHICH MUST BE SOLVED

the sooner the better, if China is to free herself from the already heavy enough burden of debts and to make headway in the direction of progress and reform. A recent study of the financial condition of the provinces reveals the startling fact that annually an enormous deficit is incurred by each province and that consequently great difficulties are daily experienced in carrying out administrative measures. Indeed the lack of funds is now severely felt, and it is therefore imperative, that China, while listening to the popular sentiment for reform, must lose no time in bringing herself into line with other well-governed countries of the world in remodelling her financial system after a sound and permanent basis.]

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION IN NEW YORK.

Sixteen Killed; Over Thirty Wounded.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.

There occurred a terrific double explosion of gas and dynamite, to-day, in a building in course of construction, connected with the power-house of the New York Central Railroad. Every window in the neighbourhood was broken and a tram-car was lifted up and cast topsy-turvy upon a motor-car.

Four passengers were killed and all were injured. Altogether there are sixteen persons dead, and between thirty and forty injured.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

It now appears that the explosion in New York yesterday was due to compressed gas for the illumination of cars of the Central Railroad Company and not to dynamite.

The injured numbered 200.

The report caused by the explosion was terrific and the whole district was stricken with panic.

Damage was done to the extent of 500,000 dollars.

"MAURETANIA'S" HOMEWARD TRIP.

Weather Conditions Favourable.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The "Mauretania" sailed at six o'clock on Saturday evening, and was 690 miles east of Sandy Hook on Sunday night. The wind is favourable and she expects to arrive at Fishguard at midnight on Thursday.

HOME RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Oxford Beat Edinburgh Academicals.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

In the Rugby match between Oxford University and Edinburgh Academicals, played at Edinburgh, Oxford University won by 26 points to 5.

HOME WILLS.

Mr. Henry Silver's Large Estat.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

Mr. Henry Silver, formerly a well-known contributor to the *Punch*, has left £1,250,000.

Sir George Sutherland Mackenzie has left 104,004.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

The death is announced of Lady Meux.

THE HOUNDSDITCH AFFRAY.

King George's Message of Condolence.

FUNERAL SERVICE TO BE HELD AT ST. PAUL'S.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

King George has telegraphed expressing his great concern at the shooting of the police in the Houndsditch affray, and his sincere sympathy with the widows and children, together with the hope that those wounded will speedily recover.

Arrangements are being made for a public funeral on Thursday, and a memorial service will be held in St. Paul's Cathedral, which the Lord Mayor and the Corporation will attend. It is proposed to erect a memorial in the City.

The police announce that the assassins were called Fritz, Peter the Painter, and Yourka.

The deepest sympathy was expressed at the inquest. Evidence showed that one constable had eight wounds.

The doctor deposed that the dead Jew told him that he had been shot by a friend in mistake. The bullet extracted was similar to those extracted from the police.

THE LOST "WARATAH."

A Partner's Evidence.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

At the enquiry into the loss of the "Waratah" to-day, Mr. Frederick Lund, a partner in the firm owning the ship, put in as evidence a letter to the builders stating that the "Waratah" was not as stable as the "Geelong." The letter was written when relations between the owners and builders were somewhat strained, because the builders were some months behind with the boat's delivery. The witness endeavoured to make the most of the Captain's remark, but the builders reassured him on the subject. Cross-examined, he denied that the Captain had threatened to leave unless the boat-deck were removed.

An engineer deposed that he had no fault to find; the boat neither rolled nor pitched in any way out of the ordinary.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

At the resumed proceedings of the Board of Trade inquiry Mr. Frederick Lund was again examined. He declared that he had no idea of what had been the "Waratah's" fate. He thought that if she had foundered in a storm there must have been lot of wreckage.

Three passengers testified to their alarm at the top-heaviness of the vessel, while a fourth said that he had never sailed a safer one.

INDIAN GUILD OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

First Annual Dinner in London.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

An interesting gathering of Indians and Anglo-Indians met last evening at the first annual dinner of the Indian Guild of Science and Technology.

The speakers, who included Mr. Krishna Govinda Gupta, Sir Alfred Keogh and Sir Edward Thorpe, dwelt on the extent to which India's happiness must depend on the development of industrial resources, and the consequent need of promoting the study of agricultural and industrial technology, in furthering which, they anticipated that the Guild would play a most important part.

Dr. Addison, M. P., urged the need for some scheme of medical education with a view to securing a more efficient sanitary staff in order to reduce the mortality from plague, cholera, etc.

COTTON SHORTAGE ANTICIPATED.

Financial Article in the "Standard."

LONDON, Dec. 20.

The *Standard*, in its financial article, to-day, anticipates, towards the end of the season, a scarcity of cotton unparalleled since the American Civil War.

The article says that the old stocks of cotton goods are now exhausted, as shown by the heavy business being done on a basis of eightpenny cotton, and the freedom with which merchants throughout the world are stocking at prices which, a short time ago, would have been thought exceedingly risky. Later on, eightpence will probably be regarded as very moderate.

"It is inevitable," the article concludes, "that cotton goods for the next year or two, will command a much higher value than usual."

ULSTER AND HOME RULE.

Press and Government's Action.

LONDON, Dec. 20.

The *Morning Post* and the *Daily Express* give prominence to details of the preparations, which are being made in Ulster to oppose Home Rule by force of arms.

The two papers ask whether the Government will employ coercion or will leave the Nationalists and Unionists to fight it out amongst themselves.

THE CORONATION DURBAR.

Probable Date in December, 1911.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

An announcement may be expected shortly regarding the date on which the Delhi Coronation Durbar will be held. It is understood that the arrangements will be on a larger scale than ever, hitherto, undertaken in India, and it is now probable that the ceremony will be held before, instead of after, the Ramjan, or month of fasting. The most probable date being early enough in December, to enable those who attend it to return to their homes in the different parts of India before December 23.

THE CROWN PRINCE'S TOUR.

Review at Secunderabad.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 20.

The Crown Prince dined with His Highness the Nizam last evening, and this morning a magnificent review of the troops in Secunderabad Garrison took place at 8 a. m.

The Crown Prince, accompanied by his Staff, arrived at Abid's corner, which was particularly well-decorated, and proceeded to the parade ground escorted by a half-squadron of the 7th Dragoon Guards. When he mounted his horse, a salute of 31 guns was fired by the Garrison Battery, R. F. A.

At the flagstaff, the Crown Prince was received by Sir James Wolfe-Murray. He then marched down the line, and, after the Prince had taken up his position at the flagstaff, the troops marched past, the Cavalry subsequently galloping past by squadrons. The morning was particularly pleasant, and the parade went off without a hitch.

At the conclusion the Crown Prince caused something of a sensation by taking command of the 33rd Cavalry and manœuvring them over the maidan: the public was particularly struck with his skill as a Cavalry Commander. Huge crowds were present and the police arrangements were perfect.

The Crown Prince subsequently breakfasted at the Secunderabad Club as a guest of the members.

A Government "Gazette Extraordinary" from the Political Department, Bombay Government, dated December 19, says:—His Imperial and Royal Highness the Crown Prince of the German Empire and of Prussia is expected to arrive at the Victoria Terminus from Hyderabad at 8-45 a.m., on Thursday, the 22nd December, and will leave for Jaipur at 11-30 a.m., on the same day from Grant Road Station. The arrival at, and departure from, Bombay of His Imperial and Royal Highness will be private. The attendance of Guards of Honour and of Heads of Departments at the railway stations is dispensed with.

AN UNFOUNDED REPORT.

How the Rumour Started.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, Dec. 20.

Detailed enquiries made confirm the statement already published, about the utterly unfounded nature of the find of the dead body of a European in a railway train. How such a report got into circulation is not known but the following is the plausible theory:—

It may be remembered that some time ago a missile was thrown into a composite first of a second class carriage in which a Mahomedan official of Bhawalpur State was travelling. The missile was suspected at the time as a bomb, though later on it proved to be of an innocuous character. The carriage belonged to the Oudh and Rohilkhand Railway and it was sent last week from Lucknow to Lahore in almost an hermetically packed condition for further investigation here. It is possible that some imaginative railway man or passenger at seeing a carriage sent with so much care to Lahore invented the story which got into circulation. As a matter of fact the whole affair is a pure fiction.

BENGAL KING EDWARD MEMORIAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

The Executive Committee of the Bengal Provincial King Edward Memorial fund held a meeting to-night, Sir Lawrence Jenkins presiding, when Sir George Sutherland was authorized to make preliminary enquiries at Home for the execution of a statue, and it was decided to ask the Government of India to reserve a site on the Calcutta Maiden.

THE ARIFF MURDER CASE.

Plea of Alibi.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, Dec. 20.

Mr. Eardley Norton has opened the case for the defence in the trial of Ali Cassim Ariff, who stands charged before the Chief Judge and a special jury at the Chief Court Sessions with the murdering of his wife, Ameena Beebee, on the night of the 29th August, by shooting her with a paradox gun.

To-day three witnesses were called to prove that Ariff was at his garden house at Yohmah (Insein) ten miles from Rangoon, from 4 p.m. on the 29th August until the following day in company with Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin, the inmates of the house, so that he could not have been in Rangoon at the time of the murder, which was between 9 and 9-30 p.m. The hearing will be concluded on Thursday.

MURDER OF A WOMAN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, Dec. 20.

On Sunday night the Police received information that a woman of the town living in Anarkali Bazar has been murdered. Her body on which there were several wounds was sent yesterday for 'post mortem' and a man has been since arrested by the police.

SIR J. AND LADY MACKENZIE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

Sir John and Lady Muir Mackenzie have arrived to stay at Government House.

The Imperial Merchant Service Guild is issuing to parliamentary candidates a series of six questions as to their attitude towards various matters affecting the welfare of members of the Merchant Service. One of the questions is whether, as a matter of precaution in time of peace, and having regard to the fact that many British captains and officers are out of employment, a measure providing that none but British subjects should command or officer British ships would receive the candidate's support.

ALLEGED FRATRICIDE AT MEERUT.

Accused Convicted of Grievous Hurt.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 19.

To-day at the Allahabad High Court before Sir John Stanley, Chief Justice, R. E. A. Dudman, of Meerut, was charged with the wilful murder of his brother, J. R. Dudman, at Meerut in the early hours of 3rd September last. The Government Advocate, Mr. Ryves, prosecuted, and Messrs. Ross Aston, O'Connor and Wallach defended the accused.

Lieutenant-Colonel Garoil, Civil Surgeon, Meerut, examined, stated that he made a 'post mortem' examination of the deceased's corpse and described a large number of cuts, wounds and bruises which, he said, could have been caused by a razor and a blunt weapon like an Indian club. The spleen which was soft and enlarged was ruptured; the base of the skull was fractured and death was due primarily to rupture of the spleen. There must have been a prolonged struggle.

Mr. Musgrave, grandfather of the brothers, said that both lived with him on the 2nd of September. Deceased and he retired to bed in the verandah. Accused who was out, came home after twelve and abusive language passed between the brothers, who were always fighting and quarrelling. One challenged the other to a fight and witness, in and fear, with the mother of the brothers, hid himself. From the words he heard, he concluded that the brothers were armed and fighting. After a time he came forward and found accused in bed and deceased in a pool of blood in the compound. Life was extinct before the body reached the hospital.

The Court here added two alternative charges in view of the evidence, one of culpable homicide not amounting to murder and the other of grievous hurt.

Witness, cross-examined, said that the deceased fouly abused his mother which irritated the accused. Deceased had been bound over to keep the peace owing to his behaviour towards the family.

Some Police Officers were examined to prove the finding of blood-stained clothes in the accused's rooms. A razor blade and its handle, which accused used, were lying in the compound as also an Indian club. When taken to the thana the accused wore a blood-stained tie and appeared to be drunk.

Accused said he was very drunk and knew nothing of what happened.

The trial is expected to close to-morrow.

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 20.

The trial of Dudman for the murder of his brother concluded to-day in the High Court. The accused made a statement that he had a fight with his brother and struck him in self-defence. The jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty of the offence of causing grievous hurt under section 326 I. P. C., with a recommendation to mercy.

The Chief Justice, agreeing with the jury, sentenced Dudman to five years' rigorous imprisonment.

PRINCE OF WALES COLLEGE.

Foundation Stone Laid at Jammu.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, Dec. 20.

On the 16th instant Colonel Erskine, Resident in Kashmir, laid the foundation stone of the Prince of Wales College at Jammu. The College was established to commemorate the visit of the Prince of Wales, now His Majesty the King-Emperor, at Jammu five years ago.

Dr. Mitra detailed the industrial and educational progress achieved in the State during past years. Speaking of western education in India, he said that when once the ebulition is over due credit will be accorded to experimenters like Lords Macaulay, Bentink and Hardinge and the gratitude of India will go forth to the nation, which revealed arts, sciences and thoughts of the West to the East. Speeches were also made by His Highness, the Resident and the Chief Minister.

VICEREGAL NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 19.

His Excellency the Viceroy granted an interview this afternoon to the Mehtar of Chitral, the Hon'ble Kumar Shivindan Prasad Singh, Nawab Bahadur Sir Asaf Kadir Saiyid Wasif Ali Mirza of Murshidabad, Nawab Wala Kafiir Saji Hussain Ali Meerza of Vizianagaram and his son and Rai Nani Lal Singh Bahadur.

Lady Hardinge received the Rani of Vizianagaram and her son to-day and held a purdah party in the afternoon.

Their Excellencies will spend Christmas at Barrackpore and the following will be the guests at the park:—The Commander-in-Chief and Lady Creagh, General Sir Douglas and Hon'ble Lady Haig, Colonel H. and Hon. Mrs. H. Wilson, Hon'ble Perky Thelluson, Miss Sandford, Colonel and Mrs. F. Maxwell, Mr. Du Boulay, Major O'Kinealy, Captain and Mrs. Mackenzie.

The Viceroy will be present at the Horse Show on Monday the 26th instant and Lady Hardinge will present the prizes.

Her Excellency Lady Hardinge will visit the Chamber L. Hospital, Sealdah, on the 22nd instant.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 20.

His Excellency the Viceroy will grant interviews to the Maharaja Monidra Chandra of Cossim-Bazar, the Hon'ble Maharaj Girij Nath Roy Bahadur of Dinajpur, Sahibzada Mahomed Buktyiar Shah, C. I. E., and Maharaj Kumar Chandra Singh of Mymensingh.

PRECAUTION AGAINST HYDROPHOBIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, Dec. 20.

Colonel B. F. R. Formby and Mrs. Formby left Madras yesterday for the Pasteur Institute, Coonoor, a pet dog having developed symptoms suspicious of rabies. Neither Colonel nor Mrs. Formby were bitten but proceeded as a precautionary measure to Coonoor.

In consequence of a violent gale at Azov, in the south of Russia, the water receded three miles and a number of ships were stranded. The crews were unable to land in order to obtain food supplies. Many fishing boats were wrecked and number of houses were washed away.

The "Terra Nova," with the members of Capt. Scott's Antarctic expedition on board, left Port Chalmers on Nov. 29 on her way south.

AVIATION.

Three New Biplanes in India.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 20.

The three corps of aviators now in India have been reinforced by a contingent sent out by the current mail, by Sir George White and Co. of Bristol, to exhibit their celebrated aeroplanes in this country. The firm is sending three of its machines in charge of its Agent, Mr. Thurston, who is accompanied by the celebrated French aviator, Mr. M. Jullerot. The biplanes are of the same pattern as those which did so well on Salisbury Plain at the last manœuvres.

Mr. Thurston and M. Jullerot seem to intend to make a tour of India, and as they propose to pay an early visit to the Allahabad Exhibition if this can be arranged for, it will give the Exhibition spectators an opportunity of witnessing the interesting sight of several of these planes manœuvring in the air together.

LATER.

The first exhibition of flying open to the public took place to-day. A very large gathering assembled on the stands in the polo ground to witness it and the roads round the Exhibition fencing were thronged with people. There was a high wind and the aviators delayed flying till the wind velocity subsided by a quarter past five.

Kath Davies mounted the monoplane and the propeller appeared to give trouble at 5-15 p.m. He started and skidding along the ground for a few yards rose to a height of some fifty to seventy-five feet. Davies descended and starting again returned to the polo ground in a few minutes.

Henry Picquet then mounted his biplane at about 5-25 p.m. and rapidly rose in the air to a height of about two hundred to three hundred feet. He went in the direction of the fort and after going half round returned in the same direction. He went descending in the middle of the polo ground after flying about five minutes.

Both the aviators were cheered as they returned. Captain Windham was present all the time and superintended the arrangements.

BOMBAY ARCHITECTS' ASSOCIATION.

Suggestions to City Trust.

The adjourned meeting of the Bombay Architects' Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Bombay Improvement Trust's Offices, Mr. Chambers, the Chairman of the Association, presiding.

Mr. Chambers, in opening the proceedings, said he wished to propose a vote of thanks to Mr. Orr for his very able lecture delivered to them on the last occasion. He said that the Architects did recognise the good work the Trust was doing and he was sure that any one who knew Bombay fifteen years ago would admit that the Trust had resulted in very good work. The only dispute he had with Mr. Orr was that the latter's lecture was more historical and he wished to know more about the future to enable the Architects to see what they could do to help the Trust.

He suggested that the Trust regulations should be modified on the lines of the Bombay Municipal Bye-laws and that a conference should be held for that purpose. Another point was with regard to getting rid of the Trust blocks. He knew that very great prejudice had been created in the mind of the Bombay public to buy Trust blocks. He observed that in consequence of that prejudice, the Trust had given way inasmuch as they were now giving leases for 999 years instead as formerly leases for a term of 99 years only and he now asked them to go a step further and do away with certain foolish notions that existed in the mind of the people. He remarked that the Municipal Bye-laws were framed in consultation with Mr. Orr's distinguished predecessor and he thought that when the Trust's Regulations would be amended, a very great difficulty would be solved.

Continuing, Mr. Chambers said that he had heard many acquisition cases and he suggested that if Government could give a claimant 15 per cent for compulsory acquisition, much and difficulty would disappear.

He again thanked Mr Orr on behalf of his Association for his very able lecture.

Mr. Wallace, in seconding a vote of thanks, said that formerly Manchester was swarming with mills. At present there were only three owing to some strained circumstances. He noticed similar circumstances in Bombay, and as there was a necessity to preserve this great cotton-industry in the City, he suggested that it would be well to take a more forward step in that respect also. He had great pleasure in seconding the vote of thanks.

The proposition was then put to the vote and carried unanimously.

Mr. Orr, in reply, thanked those present for the vote of thanks and said he was very glad to find that his paper was of some use to them. He remarked that it was true that his paper was confined to the facts of the past, but he said that he would speak about the future after seeing what Government did about the Trust's finances.

The Trust, he remarked, was always willing to receive suggestions, especially from Architects. Out of the points raised by Mr. Chambers, only one had come up to them, and that was about the Bye-laws. The Trust, he observed, were waiting to see the results of the Municipal Bye-laws which were only recently passed and hardly enforced. He remarked that the Trust were, however, unwilling to go back from their standard.

As regards the grant of 15 per cent, Mr. Orr said that the suggestion needed consideration and remarked that so far as the recent cases went, he had seen that not only was a fair compensation allowed, but in the northern part of the city people were getting rates which no one would dream of.

He again thanked them for the vote of thanks accorded to him.

The meeting was then dissolved.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST

A meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. J. P. Orr, I. C. S. Chairman of the Board, presiding.

The Chairman informed the Trustees that with regard to the letter from Messrs. Wolfe Barry and Co. regarding the Salsba Reclamation Scheme, the information asked for from the Government was not received and the consideration of the letter would have to be postponed.

Consideration was given to Government letter stating that the Government understood that great sometimes arises hardship from the notification of land years before it was taken up in connection with improvement and street schemes, the owners in the meanwhile being prevented from developing their property. The grievance was a real one, but before taking any steps in the matter the Governor in Council would be glad to receive any suggestion that the chairman might have to make with a view of mitigating it.

The chairman proposed that on the lapse of a year after the notification any owner might require the Trust either to acquire his property at its then market value or to renounce the proposal to acquire. If the Trust decided to renounce the proposal the property could not again be notified till after the lapse of another two years.

The Hon'ble Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtulla suggested that after the notification the Collector should be empowered on the application of any owner who satisfied that he had already started developing his property, to require the Board to proceed with the acquisition even before declaration.

Further consideration of the subject was postponed.

A feature of the report of the Welsh Church Commission is the absence of unanimity among the members. The "Times" suggests that a fresh commission should be appointed to examine the methods and test the statistics of the defunct commission.

The disaster at the Whitehaven colliery has been found, as the result of an inquiry, to have been caused by an explosion of gas an coal dust combined. There was not sufficient evidence to show whether the explosion was due to a defective safety lamp. The closing of the pit is described as a rightful expedient in the circumstances, as there was no possible means of reaching the entombed miners.

WEDDING OF MISS LORNA BEAMAN.

Large Assembly at Bombay Cathedral.

THE marriage of Miss Lorna Beaman, younger daughter of Mr. Justice and Mrs. F.O.O. Beaman of Bombay and Mr. Malcolm N. Hogg, son of the late Mr. Quinton Hogg and Mrs. Hogg, of 41 Cumberland Mansions, Bryanston Sq., S. W. was celebrated at St. Thomas' Cathedral, Bombay, on Tuesday morning by the Bishop of Bombay, assisted by the Reverend C. M. Barham, Senior Presidency Chaplain. There was a large number of guests, but the ceremony was very simple. With the exception of the usual two hymns, the service was not choral, and the bride was unattended by bridesmaids.

The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, wore a dress of ivory satin veiled with chiffon, and trimmed with some fine old Brussels lace, the gift of the bridegroom's mother. She wore no jewels, but carried a large shower bouquet and wore a bandeau of orange-blossom under her plain tulle veil. She was followed by her mother and sister, who both carried bouquets. Mrs. Beaman wore a dress of soft grey crepe de chine, with heavy silk embroidery, and a large hat to match with shaded feathers, while Miss Beaman was gowned in white and had a black picture hat. The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Cyril G. Stileman, as his best man, while Mr. W. A. Haig-Brown and Mr. R. E. A. Elliott were also present to show the guests into their seats. Prominent amongst the friends of the bride and bridegroom's families were their Excellencies Sir George and Lady Clarke, who were attended by Capt. J. Sullivan, A. D. C. Sir George Clarke wore a grey frock suit, while Lady Clarke appeared in the same grey dress and the large grey picture hat, that she wore at her own wedding a few weeks ago. After the ceremony, their Excellencies signed the register with the bridal party.

THE RECEPTION.

After the wedding, a reception was held at Cliff House, Ridge Road, the residence of the bride's parents. The spacious apartments of this bungalow, which is one of the largest in the neighbourhood of Malabar Hill, are peculiarly adapted for a function of this kind, and Mrs. Beaman was able very comfortably to entertain more than three hundred guests. Most of these assembled on the large back verandah which commands a most beautiful view, almost unexampled in the neighbourhood, of Back Bay and its lovely environment. The guests were shown the very handsome collection of presents which have been received from friends in India and at Home. Amongst these were conspicuous the large number of carved silver peices, many of them of fine Indian, Chinese and Japanese workmanship. The wedding cake, a handsome confection from Messrs. Mongini Brothers was formally cut by the bride.

After the reception the newly-married pair left for Pali Hill. They drove away in a motor-car, which was lent for the occasion by Mr. Mathuradas Goculdas. The bride was wearing a dress of grey satin with an over-skirt of ninon, trimmed with silver embroideries, and a large hat and soft satin motoring-coat to match.

THE GUESTS.

The following is the list of guests who accepted the invitations:—

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. S. Aston, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. B. Acworth, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Armstrong, Mr. F. C. Annesley, Mr. J. E. Aspinall, Mr. J. L. Ainsworth, Mr. H. D. Ash.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. F. Brayne, Mr. and Mrs. Branson, Mrs. Harry Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bowep, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brooks, Mr. J. Begbie, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Binning, Mr. F. A. E. Brooke, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Bright, Mr. J. Black, Mr. H. E. Burch, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Birkett, Mr. C. W. Broil, Mr. C. F. Brandenburg, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Byrne, Mr. C. W. Beadel, Mr. C. D. Baker, Mr. J. Black, Mr. J. S. Brooke, Mr. E. H. Blair Mr. C. Bowman, Mr. A. R. Burney, Mr. C. W. Brownell.

Sir N. and Lady Chandavarkar, Mr. and Mrs. Lovett Cameron, Mr. and Mr. L. C. Crump, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Compton, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Chrystal, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Cudlip, Mr. and Mrs. G. Carmichael Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Crawford, Col. and Mrs. Crimmin, Mr. P. R. Cadell, Col. and Mrs. Collie, Mr. E. H. Corfield, Major and Mrs. Colin-Evans, Major and Mrs. Capper, Lt.-Col and Mrs. Childe.

Col. and Mrs. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. O. Dunn, Capt. E. Drummond, Capt. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Dennison, Mr. Durnford.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Edwardes, Mr. R. E. A. Elliot, Col. and Mrs. Forman, Mr. and Mrs. and Miss. Froom. Dr. W. J. Field, Mr. and Mrs. Foxbery, Mr. A. Forbes.

Hon'ble Mr. and Mrs. Greaves, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Graham, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. S. Gubbay, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Glazebrook, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Gordon, Major Greig, Mr. H. T. Gorrie, Mr. R. S. Gaddum, Mr. B. Grantham.

Mr. Mrs and Miss Heaton, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Haigh, Mr. J. E. B. Hotson, Capt. and Mrs. Haynes Capt. and Mrs. Lawless Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Harter, Mr. A. D. S. Higston, Col. and Mrs. Hojel, Mr. and Mrs. R. Harwood, Mr. Haigh Brown.

Col. W. E. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Jardine, Mr. H. H. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kent, Major and Mrs. Norborne Kirby Mr. A. H. Kirke Smith, Mr. N. W. Kemp, Mr. Kemp, Mr. G. Kenneuy, Mr. G. M. Kendall.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Lamberd, Mr and Mrs. A. Leslie, Mr. Basil Lang, Mr. Turner Laing, Mr. G. W. Luxton, Mr. A. E. Lord, Mr. H. F. Lodge, Capt. G. Lucas, Capt. T. Lucas.

Col. and Mrs. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Wardlaw Milne, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Millard, the Hon. Mr. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. A. Marshall, Capt. H. B. Mayne, Mr. H. G. W. Meikle, Mr. and Mrs. Macbeth, Mr. L. Mollirick, Mr. Osborne Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. McCausland, Mr. and Mrs. Muller, Mr. J. Murdoch, Mr. and Mrs. J. Macdonald, Mr. J. H. Martin.

Capt. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. Ferrers-Nicholson, Mr. Ferrers Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Orr, Mr. and Mrs. Ogston.

Mr. H. E. Procter, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Pilnston, Mr. and Mrs. W. Priestley, Mr. Mrs. and Miss F. A. Prevost, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Proes, Mr. and Mrs. Nigel-Paton, Mr. G. C. Phillips, Mr. J. Price, Dr. A. Powell, Mr. Quarme.

Mr. J. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Lindesay Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reed, Mr. E. B. Raikes and Mrs., Mr. G. B. Ramsay, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ross, Mr. B. C. Read, and Mr. Rao.

Gen. and Mrs. Swann, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders Slater, Mr. and Mrs. L. Saville, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Sprott, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sale, Mr. and Mr. W. C. J. Shrott, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Sells, Mr. R. P. Scott, Mr. C. G. Stileman, Mr. F. F. Stileman, Mr. P. M. Sanderson, Mr. A. R. Sharp, Mr. A. D. Stephanos, Gen. Sloggett, Capt. Sullivan.

Count and Countess Taurn, the Hon. A. Hill-Trevor, Mr. G. F. D. Tennant, Dr. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tod, Mr. H. M. C. Trotter, Major and Mrs. Gordon Tucker.

Mr. Mrs. and Miss Willis, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Wilson, Lieut. Wilson, Mr. C. C. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Ward, Mr. H. Wengle, Mr. G. M. Withers, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon.

The Hon. Mr. C. Setalvad, Rao Bahadur C. Setalvad, Mr. Sharpuji Broacha, Mr. Bahadurji, the Hon. Mr. M. A. Jinnah, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Wadia, Mr. R. D. Sethna, Mr. A. Kajiji, Mirza Mahomed Ali Khan, Mirza Ali Akbar Khan, Mr. and Mrs. Faiz B. Tyabji, Mr. Velinkar, Mr. J. Vimadalal, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Talyarkhan, Dr. and Mrs. Lukmani.

Mr. Mohamedbhoy Curimbhoy, the Hon. Dr. Temulji Nariman, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Petit, Sir Cowasji and Lady Jehangir, Mr. and Mrs R. D. Tata, Azam Narotamdas Morarji Gaculdas, Mrs. and Misses Hormasji Wadia, Mr. and Mrs. Hormasji Vakil, Sir Sassoon J. David, Mr. N. G. Gamadia, Mr. Jehangir N. Gamadia, Mr. and Mrs. Captain, Miss. S. Kabraji, the Misses Khambatta, Mr. and Mrs. Dastoor, Mr. Shirazi, Rao Bahadur Samaldas Saheb, Azam Dawabhai Saheb, Mrs. Kanga, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. Sethna.

H. H. the Jam Saheb of Jamnagar, H. H. the Thakor Saheb of Gondal, H. H. the Thakor Saheb of Morvi, H. H. the Thakor Saheb of Dhranga, the Nawab and Begum of Mongrol, the Thakor Saheb of Patri, the Thakor Saheb of Lakhtar.

Mr. Kama, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Taiyarkhan, the Misses Vakil, the Misses Desai, Mr. and Mrs. Panday, Mrs. Nabak.

LIST OF PRESENTS.

Bridegroom to Bride.....Sapphire half-hoop ornament and earrings
Bride to Bridegroom .....Gold cigar case
Bridegroom's Mother to Bride .....Diamond pendant, diamond and sapphire rings
Bridegroom's Mother to Bridegroom .....Tabla silver and plate
Parents .....Household linen and cheque
Excellencies Sir Their Lady Clarke..Silver rose bowl
George ... crosses von Baron and B. .....Silver travelling clock
Bulow ..... ll .....Silver fruit knives and
Mrs George Campb forks
The Misses Campbell ...Silver clock
Mr and Mrs Frank Bury ...Silver sugar dredger
The Hon Mrs Francis Bute ...r cigar box
ton .....
Miss A and Mr Stapleton knives and forks
Hogg .....Silver fr. hand bag
Miss A Holmes .....Embroidered figures
Miss B Nathan .....Dresden China
Mr Kenneth Muir Macken-zie .....Swinburne's songs
Mrs Bosk nan .....Lace handkerchief
Miss M Slo gett.....Gold brooch
Miss Valentine .....Writing case
Mr and Mrs G McCausel nd..Pair of silver vases
Mr Melville Leslie .....Coffee tray
Miss E Grammet .....Hand embroidered cushion
Sir Herbert and Lady Jekyll .....Silver inkstand and candle sticks
Mrs Swire .....Pair of silver vases
Col and Mrs Dimmick .....Pair of vases
Mr and Lady Angela Champbell .....Pair of entree dishes
Mr A Whitworth .....Tiepin
Mr and Mrs Douglas Hogg..Silver Kettle on stand
Mr and Mrs Guy Dawnay...Pair of cut glass bowls
Mrs Charles Hogg .....Silver Salver
Mr and Mrs L E Bury .....Clock and chronometer in case
Mr U W Nicholas .....Silver scarf
Mrs Plowden .....Water colour
Mr and Mrs Arthur Houghton .....Lace table-cloths
Lady Dickson.....Pierced silver flower bowl
Mr W Long .....Two pastel sketches
Mr and Mrs L Savile .....Antique Cloisonna jar
Mr G F D Tennant .....Lamp
Mr A T Cooper .....Silver Bonbonniere
Col and Mrs Forman .....Silver mirror
Mr and Mrs Wardlaw-milne .....Pair of crystal and silver vases
Mr and Mrs J Begbie ... Silver salver
Mr and Mrs J C Bowen.....Pair of silver Bonbonnieres
Mr and Mrs W Priestley ...Silver salver
Mr S N C Webb .....Set of silver menu stands
Mr and Mrs Saunders Slater .....Satsuma Bowl
Messrs Busch, Hearn, Jackson, and Baker.....Salad bowl and servers
Mr and Mrs Cudlip .....Silver teaspoons
Col W E Jennings.....Pair of silver sweet dishes
Mr R S Gaddum .....Silver cigarette box
Mr and Mrs F A Prevost ...Oulaes Omar Khayyam
Mr W A Haig-Brown.....Tea-kettle on stand
Mr and Mrs Millard .....Cigarette box
Mr Shapurji Broacha .....Jewelled watch bracelet
Mr J Black .....Set of vases
Mrs Vernon .....Silver scent bottle
Miss J Crawford.....Silver corner sey
Mr J Black .....Oulaes omar khayyam
Mr R Ellis .....Silver teaspoons
The Hon Mrs Pelham .....Japanese embroidery
Mr

Mr N V Mandlik .....'English poets of the nineteenth century'
The Hon Mr W L and Mrs Cameron .....Amethyst pendant and chain
Sir Basil Scott.....Pearl and diamond brooch
Mr and Mrs R H Dennison..Set of four silver salt cellars
Mr and Mrs E C B Acworth..Silver cream jug
Mr and Mrs S M Edwardes..Silver sweet dishes
Mr and Mrs Hormasji Vakeel .....Silver tea-service and tray
Mr Mrs and Miss Selle.....Japanese picture
The Members of Lodge Lusman.....Dinner and breakfast service
Sir Cawasji and Lady Jehangir .....Silver tea-service
Col and Mrs Gamble.....Silver photo-frame
Mr and Mrs Motiram Advani .....Silk scarf
Mr Mirza Ali Akbar Khan...Silver tray
The Hon Mr Justice Davar..Gold and turquoise bracelet
Mr and Mrs Arthur Leslie...Escritoire
Mr P O S and Mr J L S Hobart.....Pair of silver sweet dishes
Miss P Coyajee and Miss Sim .....Silver cigarette box
Mr and Mrs R A Willis.....Silver sauce-boat
Mr J Cavadia .....Pair of silver vases
Mr Jehangir Kothari .....Silver tray and buckle
The Hon Mr Justice Rao ...Asparagus dish and servers
Mr P R Cadell and Mr H G W Mackie.....Pair of standard lamps
Mr E Quarme.....Pictures
Mr and Mrs C Fawcett .....Salad bowl and servers
Mr Danamal Chelaram .....Gold glove mirror
Miss C V Willis..Cushions
Mrs B H Destoor .....Hand-painted table centre
Mr and Mrs M G Gibb .....Watercolour
The Hon Mr M A Jinnah...Silver-mounted scent bottles
The Misses Khambatta .....Silver buckle
Mr and Mrs W W Drew ...Gold and jewelled brooch
Mr M H Harrison ....Indian brass foot-stool
Mr and Mrs J B Macbeth..Coffee tray
Mr D D Vaidia.....Silver calendar
The Hon Mr C H Setalvad..Silver bowl
Mr and Mrs Nigel-Fatan...Silver Ramequin cases
Sir Narayen and Lady Chandavarkar.....Pair of silver bowls
The Misses Desai.....Silver bowl
Mr and Mrs Bahadurji .....Silver Sweet-dish
Mr and Mrs E S Luard.....Pair of silver toast racks
Mr N W Kemp .....Pair of silver photo frames
The Hon Mr H and Mrs Greaves .....Set of five silver sweet dishes
Mr C F Brandenburg.....Pair of silver butterdishes
Mr Pestonji Nusserwanji Masani .....Silver tea-service
Count and Countess Egon Thurn .....Indian table
Mr and Mrs F W Wilson ...Pair of nut-crackers
Mr and Mrs Grindlay .....Tinted ostrich feather
Mr and Mrs E B Raikes ...Travelling clock
Mr and Mrs G R Lowndes..Ivory and mother of pearl box
Mr and Mrs F P Taleyarkhan.....Enamelled pendant
Dr and Mrs Stanley Reed...Silver wine labels
Sir Dorab and Lady Tata...Silver clock
Mr and Mrs J P Orr ..... Coffee cups
Mr and Miss Harrington Bulkley .....Pair of jam spoons
Mr and Mrs Leslie Crawford .....Crumb scoop and tray
The Sheik Saheb of Mangrol .....Inlaid box
The citizens of Bombay ... Embroidery
Capt and Mrs Haymes .....Embroidery
Mr J Metaxa .....Silver bowl
Mr and Mrs R Hartes .....Clock
Capt G Lucas.....Clock
Mr and Mrs Kemna ..... Silver bowl
Mr and Mrs J D Darvar.....Fitted writing table
Mr A T Goorie .....Asparagus servers
Mr A H Kidman ..... Set of gold links and studs

Cheques were sent by the following :—

Miss L Graham, Mr and Mrs C N Wadia, Mr and Mrs Glazebrook, Mr and Mrs D W Wilson, The Hon Mr W T Morison, Mr J H Martin, Mr Baumbach, Sir Frederick Hope, Col and Mrs Davies, Mr and Mrs R D Campbell, Capt A Chamberlayne, Capt and Mrs Wood, Mr E A Bevan, Sir Frederick Croft, Mr and Mrs Arthur Bevan, Mr A H Beaman, Messrs McFlerick, E G Campbell, T R Aldred, V Grantharne, P Friedrichsen, Managing Staff of Messrs Forbes Forbes Campbell and Co, and Mr and Mrs C E Beaman.

RED-TAPE AND WASTE.

Besides the infliction of royalties harassing enough to crush any young enterprise, the operations of the district Messenger Company were limited to within six miles of the General Post Office, making the money paid for the British patents absolutely wasted. And now came the crowning infamy of the mandarins of St. Martin's. Not content with their efforts to kill and adjunct to the postal service which was evidently wanted, and which they themselves had never stirred hand or foot to provide, they now proceeded to engineer a ridiculous service redolent of red-tape, the rates being based on a non-commercial basis; the general result being that the delivery of telegram must be delayed, an incressed number of telegraph messengers must be maintained (which is very undesirable, as permanent berths cannot be found for them), and no profit is made out of this service, which is pre-eminently a service which should yield a profit, and a good one, if done at all. Such a profit would at least help to provide some of those postal facilities for which I have been crying for years. The abuse of this ridiculous express service reached its climax when the Prime Minister was insulted by a deputation of suffragettes being conveyed to his house by a telegraph-messenger, who was thus taken away from his first and proper duty of conveying telegrams, and all for a charge of threepence, which must represent a distinct loss to the taxpayers. If only the public realised what the delay in the delivery of life-and-death and urgent business telegrams is, owing to telegraph-boys being engaged in delivery of milliners' boxes and grocery and other tradesmen's goods at "unprofitable rates," there would be a veritable outcry.—From "The Express Letter," in the "Cornhill Magazine" for December.

DEPARTURES.

Per s. s. "Massilia," Dec. 21.

The Anchor Line steamer "Massilia," will sail from No 2 shed, Victoria Dock on the night of the 21st instant with following passengers. Medical inspection will take place alongside the ship at 6 p.m. sharp:—

TO SUEZ.—Mr A A Meyers.

TO LONDON.—Mr C E Pargeter.

TO LIVERPOOL.—Mrs F W Ward, nurse and 2 infts.

2ND CLASS.

Mr R Pereira Mr Stuart

Dr. H. Habenicht, a member of the staff of Perthes great geographical establishment at Goths, has for several years endeavoured to make a forecast of the winter weather, largely from observations on the Gulf Stream and the movements of the ice in the Arctic and southwards. This year he ventures to forecast a hard winter in England. From the uniform distribution of temperature in the Gulf Stream, a result of the scarcity of ice this year round Newfoundland, and from the extraordinarily large masses of drift ice during the summer between North Cape and Spitzbergen, he concludes that there will be unusually hard and continuous cold during the coming winter in Europe. The want of temperature variations in the Gulf Stream leaves little room for low North Atlantic minimum, and the ice masses around the North Cape favour the extension of the Siberian high pressure and cold region westwards. In Central Europe hard winters often set in about the end of November or the beginning of December, after a new or full moon, with considerable precipitation, followed immediately by east winds and cold weather. Should the coming winter not be considerably colder than the average of many years, Dr. Habenicht would regard this as a sign that he had over-estimated the influence of the drift ice and temperature changes in the North Atlantic Ocean on European climate, and that hitherto his forecasts have been the result of chance. Should this turn out to be the case, he states he would definitely give up his communications concerning ice and weather, since they would possess no recognisable practical value.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR.—If your hair is turning grey or white, or falling off, use "The Mexican Hair Renewer," for it "will positively restore in every case Grey or White hair" its original colours without leaving the disagreeable smell of most "Restorers." It makes the hair charmingly beautiful, as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots, where the glands are not decayed. Ask your Chemist for "THE MEXICAN HAIR RENEWER," sold by Chemists and Perfumers everywhere. Wholesale depot, 33 Farringdon Road, London, England.

BUILDING FOR THE BHATIA POOR.

Opened by the Governor.

HIS EXCELLENCY SIR GEORGE CLARKE, Governor of Bombay, performed yesterday, the opening ceremony of a building to accommodate the poorer members of the Bhatia community. The building, which has been erected on a plot of land at the junction of Sandhurst and Charni Roads, is designed to accommodate about 500 members of the community at a nominal rental. The building bears the name of the late Mr. Govindji Thackersey Mooljee, whose daughters Mongibai and Keserbai have raised it. The shamiana which was erected for the occasion opposite the building who crowded with a large number of gentlemen, among whom were: The Hon'ble Mr. Lamb; the Hon'ble Sir V. D. Thackersey; Sir Bhalchandra Krishna; the Hon'ble Sirdar Davar K. E, Mody; the Hon'ble Mr. Lallubhai Samaldas; the Hon'ble Mr. Fazalbhoy Currimbhoy; Mr. Leslie Rogers; Mr. James Macdonald; Mr. Vithaldas Samaldas; Dr. N. H. E. Sukhia; Rao Bahadur Chunilal H. Setalwad, Haji Suleman Abdul Vahed, and others.

Their Excellencies who were accompanied by Captain Sullivan, A.-D.-C., were received on arrival by the Hon'ble Sir V. D. Thackersey and conducted to the dais.

SIR VITHALDAS' SPEECH.

The Hon'ble Sir V. D. Thackersey, opening the proceedings, said: "Your Excellency,—On behalf of the members of the family of the late Thackersey Mooljee, I have the honour to express our deep gratitude to your Excellency for kindly consenting to open the Govindji Thackersey Mooiji Smarak Bhatia Grahs. In requesting you to perform this ceremony we had at first a feeling that the matter was chiefly personal, but impelled by your well-known sympathy for every beneficent scheme, however small, for the amelioration of the condition of the different communities, we at last ventured to approach your Excellency and we are extremely thankful to you for so graciously acceding to our request. The late Mr. Govindji died in 1899 leaving behind him a widow and four children. His sons and widow having died, the two daughters Mongibai and Keserbai have become heirs to his property. At the time of his death he was the senior member of the family and also head of the Halai Bhatia Community in whose welfare he took the deepest interest. In consequence of his devotion to the best interests of the community he enjoyed the implicit confidence of his people and was instrumental in saving them thousands of rupees by his intervention as arbitrator to settle their differences. Such was the high regard in which he was held by his caste people that he was appointed by them Trustee of several charitable institutions and he won the entire confidence of his community who nominated him as the head of Halai Bhatia community for 12 years successively. We may also refer here, as indicating his public spirit, to the late Mr. Govindji's active co-operation with General Gatacre and Sir James Campbell in their efforts to combat plague in the first years of its appearance in Bombay. It is in commemoration of the memory of such a great benefactor of his community that his daughters have raised this large building in order to accommodate the poorer members of the Bhatia community at a nominal rental. Your Excellency, I need hardly tell you that at the present time one of the greatest hardships experienced by poor people in Bombay, is the high rents prevailing everywhere and the difficulty to get accomodation which conforms to the sanitary requirements and is adapted to their customs and practices. The problem of providing such accommodation for the poorer section of the population is a large one and is engaging, as we all know, the attention of Government and the Improvement Trust. By providing these buildings for the Bhatias, the daughters of the late Mr. Govindji have contributed their humble share to the solution of this great problem and in this aspect of to-day's proceedings which decided us, most of all, in inviting your Excellency's co-operation at this function. These buildings will accommodate 46 families and have cost about one lakh sixty thousand rupees in addition to Rupees ten thousand set aside for its maintenance. Also I have much pleasure in announcing on this occasion that the two sisters desire to contribute Rs. 25,000 for a charitable dispensary to be attached to this building, in memory of their brother, the late Mr. Dharamdey. Your Excellency will, I am sure, agree that the two ladies who have come forward to commemorate the memory of their father and brother in this most useful manner, have exhibited great judgment as well as public spirit in giving permanent expression to their filial affection and piety. I beg to thank your Excellency on behalf of our family for your great kindness in coming here this evening, and I request your Excellency to declare the building open. We are also deeply grateful to Her Excellency Lady Clarke for her gracious presence on this occasion which is specially appreciated by the daughters of the late Mr. Govindji who desire me to convey their sincerest thanks to Her Excellency."

HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH.

His Excellency the Governor, declaring the building open, said:—"Sir Vithaldas Thackersey, Ladies and Gentlemen:—One of the first matters which attracted my attention on arriving in Bombay was the great and growing difficulty of providing proper accommodation for the poorer classes. As you know I tried to elicit the opinions of public bodies and individuals with a view to laying down general lines for the future development of the City. The opinions we received were not wholly unanimous which could not be expected; but in many quarters a desire was manifested that the building of dwellings for the working classes should be taken in hand, and Government gave special prominence to this requirement in the programme at which they arrived. You, Sir Vithaldas have since formulated a valuable scheme for co-operation between the Mill Owners and the Improvement Trust in attaining our object, and I hope that it may be possible before long to make a beginning when the legal difficulties have been removed. Further the scheme for a large reclamation on the East side of Back Bay which Government are preparing and the general scope of which will shortly be made public must, when it is carried out, help to simplify the important problem with which we are confronted. Bombay had rapidly become a great industrial centre. Housing accommodation has not nearly adjusted itself to the demands, and the prevailing high rents inflict great hardships upon the poor workers. On all grounds it is necessary to provide good sanitary dwellings adapted to the ways and means of the people. Such dwellings in combination with the education which is spreading will surely help to raise the working classes morally and socially, and to promote their health and happiness. I do not, therefore, regard this little ceremony as only personal. It is a contribution towards a most important public purpose, and I warmly congratulate the daughters of the late Mr. Govindji on their generosity in erecting and providing for the maintenance of this fine building. No better memorial could be raised to the memory of a great citizen and philanthropist. The short account of the career of Mr Govindji which I have read shows that the revered head of the Halai Bhatia community was a man of the widest sympathies, always ready to assist the poor, and distinguished alike for his modesty and his public spirit. In the sad times of famine and plague he proved himself a true friend of the afflicted, showing marked initiative in the importation and distribution of grain, and fearlessly disregarding personal risk in remaining to supervise the plague camps which he had established. The memory of such a noble minded citizen is a precious possession to the Bhatia community and to Bombay. The hand of death has rested heavily upon the family of Mr. Govindji and only his two daughters now remain. To them it will, I am sure, be always a heartfelt pleasure to have carried on the philanthropic work of their father by giving comfort and healthy surroundings to 46 poor Bhatia families. To this act of filial piety they have added the provision of a dispensary which will bear the name of their brother and will be a permanent blessing to the sick poor in this neighbourhood. I am sincerely glad to be here to declare the Govindji Thackersey Moolji Smarak Graha to be open and to wish health and happiness to its inmates and to the kind and generous ladies to whom its construction is due. My wife, who shares every interest with me, asks me to add that it is a great pleasure to her to be present on this occasion and that she warmly congratulates the daughters of Mr. Govindji on their beneficent action in providing homes for the poor which will be to them a permanent source of true satisfaction." (Applause).

Mr. Hansraj Pragji Thackersey, proposing a vote of thanks to their Excellencies, said it was his very pleasant duty to express the heart-felt thanks of them all to their Excellencies Sir George and Lady Clarke for their presence here that evening. Amid the manifold duties which claime the attention of the Governor of this great Presidency. His Excellency had conferred a great obligation on them by very kindly consenting to open this building, and their sense of obligation is immensely enhanced by Her Excellency's gracious presence on this auspicious occasion. That, he ventured to say, was one more proof of their Excellencies' intense desire to associate themselves with every good cause and their tender solicitude for all the various communities of this Presidency. On behalf of the sisters who have erected this building and on behalf of all those present there, he begged once more to convey their most grateful thanks to their Excellencies.

Their Excellencies were then shown round the building, which is a three storeyed one and is built on the latest sanitary principles. Their Excellencies were loudly cheered on their departure.

MAHARANI GAEKWAR.

Ladies of the Backward Classes.

A gathering of the ladies of the Hindu Backward Classes was held on Sunday evening at the Javji Bhuwan at Grant Road to do honourto Her Highness the Maharani of Baroda. This being the first gathering of its kind some 500 ladies assembled to receive Her Highness. Her Highness, accompained by Princess Indiraraja, attended the gathering at the appointed time and was most enthusiastically received by Mrs. Jijabai Tukaram Javji and Mrs. Anandibai Pandurang Javji, the girls showering flowers on her. After a welcome song was sung by some girls, Mrs. Putlibai L. Kale made a speech welcoming Her Highness and the Princess Indiraraja. Then the most interesting ceremony of presenting "ahers" followed. Costly dresses were presented to Her Highness Princess Indiraraja, Shrimati Tara Raja Saheb of Devas, Mrs. Sitabai Saheb Bhagwat of Indore and Mrs. Tarabai Saheb Ghatg by Mrs. Jijabai Tukaram Javji and Mrs. Anandibai Pandurang Javji. Her Highness then made a felicitous speech in Marathi thanking the hostesses and the ladies present for the hearty reception. She also advised her sisters of the backward classes to spare no pains in receiving education which alone would ameliorate their present condition. After the speech of Her Highness, which was listened to with attention by the assembly, Mrs. Vithabai Akerker, proposed a cordial vote of thanks which was duly seconded and supported by Janabai Rokde and Mrs. Chandrabai-Yende.

2,500 MILES ON HORSEBACK.

British Consul's Exciting Adventures.

Mr. J. H. Bill, the British Consul at Shiraz, has recently arrived in England on the conclusion of an overland journey under remarkable conditions from Southern Persia. Organised chiefly for the purpose of studying the working of the Persian and Turkish Constitutions in the remoter parts of those countries, the expedition lasted nearly seven months, and except over one small stretch by steamer and rail through France, the Consul covered the whole distance of 2,500 miles on horseback. In places, states Reuter's Agency, the difficulties were very great owing to the mountainous nature of the country, and in Kurdistan the horses were in very bad condition, in consequence of want of fodder.

Mr. Bill had some exciting experiences with brigands in Persia, two of his escort being killed, but in Kurdistan and Albania he travelled with perfect safety over routes which were regarded as highly dangerous before the granting of the Turkish Constitution. Perfect tranquillity prevailed, and he passed through Turkey with only one soldier as escort. The Persian incident occurred soon after leaving Shuligistan, where the ground is very difficult and offers excellent cover for robbers. The caravan consisted of twelve Bengal Lancers with a native officer and five Persian Cossacks, altogether twenty guns. About midday solitary figures appeared along the foothills skirting the road and after firing disappeared. The robbers did not succeed in their intention of drawing the caravan's fire, but a halt was called near the entrance to aside valley in order to ascertain what were the robbers intentions. As the road became more enclosed sniping recommenced, and it was considered advisable to attack the brigands. Accordingly half of Mr. Bill's party were sent on ahead, the remainder being so disposed as to cut off, if possible, the robbers' retreat. It was now seen that the main body of the bandits numbered some sixty men. At this point some of Mr. Bill's escort rode up to a couple of robbers who had come to a standstill owing to their horses being fatigued. One of the sowars was instantly shot dead and in the fighting which followed a second of the British Consul's sowars was killed. The combatants came to close quarters, and the native officer killed one of the brigands with his sword. After this encounter the main body of the robbers came up, but disappeared after firing at long range.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT. COLONEL A. K. LESLIE V. D. COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 21st December.

253. Regtl C Meeting—There will be a Regimental Committee Meeting at the B V A Club on Thursday 22nd instant at 7 p.m. sharp.

254. Office Closing of the B V A Head-Quarter Office will be closed from 24th December 1910 to 3rd January 1911 both days inclusive on account of Christmas holidays.

255. Parades.—There will be no parades for Nos. 1 and 2 Companies on Saturdays 24th and 31st December.

E. P. CUDLIP, Lieut., R.A.,
Adjutant, B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COL. R. W. L. DUNLOP, V.D.

Bombay, 21st December.

1183 Detail for the week ending 24th instant

To-day Wednesday the 21st instant.—Commanding Officer's Parade. Fall in at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 6 p.m. Dress.—Drill order, Uniform with caps. Subject.—Picquet duty on roads in Fort. Field Service Regulations Part I, Operations, Sections 75-89.

Thursday the 22nd instant.—The Signalling Class will parade at 7 a.m. and 6-30 p.m. at Sir Richard Temple's Statue.

11.—Proficiency Class will be held at Head-Quarters at 6-30 p.m.

Friday the 23rd instant.—All Recruits of the current season to parade at Head Quarters at 6-30 p.m.

11 "E," Coy, Parade at Sir Richard Temple's Statue at 9-15 p.m.

Dress.—Drill Order Mufti.

1184. Musketry—Rifle Club.—The Miniature Range at Head-Quarters will be open for Matches 3 and 4 and practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7-30 p.m. and Saturdays from 3 to 5-30 p.m.

11. Classification Range.—The Ranges at Ghat Kopar are allotted to the Rifle Club matches 5 to 8 as under:—

Tuesday 27th instant—By train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6 a.m.

I.V.R.A. Matches can be fired on this days.

111.—The Ranges at Ghat Kopar are available for Class firing for adults as under:—

Thursday 22nd instant "D" Coy Standard Test, Friday 23rd instant, Parts I and II any Company, Saturday 24th instant Standard Test, Any Company, Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6 p.m.

1185. Leave.—The Commanding Officer has been pleased to grant leave of absence to No. 4357 Vol. P. Gardoz, "F" Coy, from 15th December 1910 to 14th August 1911

1186 Enrolment—The undernamed having been enrolled is taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to "G" Company:—

No 7042 Vol B H Nicol

A. L. CARTWRIGHT, Capt.,
Adjt. B. V. B.

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

For health, beauty and luxury, use the "ALBION MILK and SULPHUR SOAP," which, Lady Constance Howard writes, "is pleasant to use and whitens and softens the skin." Also Testimonials from Countess Bathurst, Countess of Westmeath, Lady White, Viscountess Exmouth, Lady Dorothy Nevill and many others. Delicately perfumed. Warning:—When buying the Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap see that the name and figure head of Albion are on the wrapper, sold by Chemists Grocers, etc.

SIR CURRIMBHOY IBRAHIM.

Entertainment by Mahomedan Community.

THE Mahomedan Community of Bombay entertained and presented an address last evening to Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim, Baronet, at the Anjuman-i-Islam Hall, Hornby Road, Bombay. A large number of leading Mahomedan citizens were present and the building and the grounds were beautifully decorated and artistically illuminated, for the occasion.

The Hon'ble Mr. M. A. Jinnah read the address which ran thus:—

THE ADDRESS.

Sir,—On behalf of the Muslim Community of Bombay we offer you our warm congratulations on the honour of a Baronetcy having been conferred on you. If we except the Parsi community, this is the first time in the history of the British Rule in this country when such a high honour has been conferred on an Indian and we rejoice to think that the first recipient of the honour should be one who is our co-religionist and a resident of this Presidency. Your uniform courtesy, the deep interest you have always taken in every public cause and your munificent and princely charities have endeared you to the heart of every native of this land. The announcement that you have been elevated to this high rank has been received with universal mark of approbation and we feel that the honour could not have been bestowed on a fitter and a more deserving person than yourself. You have from your very youth devoted yourself to the cause of the advancement of your countrymen, and during the last fifty years or so you have taken part in every movement in this city that has been started for the good of the city or the welfare of its people. Agreeably to the precept of the holy Koran which enjoins kindness to orphans as a religious duty, you at a cost of over a lakh of rupees, started a Khoja orphanage in this city which bears your name. The orphanage is in many ways perhaps the most humane and most successful of your numerous benefactions and it has earned for you the lasting gratitude of the poor of your community. We also recall with pleasure the fact that you have given an impetus to Female Education and greatly advanced its cause by establishing a Girls' School at Mandvi in Cutch, to which you have given the name of your revered father. But your charities have not been confined either to your community or to the place wherein you were born "A man's true wealth hereafter," said our prophet of blessed memory, "is the good he does in this world to his fellowmen."

PUBLIC BENEFACTIONS.

Agreeably to this precept you have given away princely sums for starting a Museum and a science institute in this city and thereby have earned the lasting gratitude of your fellow-citizens. We have no doubt that these two insititutions will play an important part in the future progress of this city and the advancement of its people. Nor do these two charities, princely and munificent though they are, exhaust the list of your public benefactions. Your popularity with the public of Bombay was proved when a sum of over Rs. 70,000 was collected in Bombay to suitably entertain you and commemorate your name on the occasion of your being Knighted by His Majesty the King Emperor then the Prince of Wales. A sum of Rs. 50,000 having remained over you have added thereto Rs. 60,000, from your private purse and the whole sum of Rs. 1,10,000 has been subscribed towards the King Edward Memorial Fund for building and maintaining a hospital in the north of this city which is one of our greatest present needs. Nor have the claims of the Mahomedan community of Western India in general been forgotten by you. Three years ago when your son the Hon. Mr. Fazulbhoy propounded his scheme for the foundation of a model academical institution of the Mahomedans of Western India where the study of literature may be combined with a knowledge of science and commerce, you, speaking as the President of the Anjuman-i-Islam of Bombay, announced a donation of one lakh towards the scheme. Your private charities, too, have for years been extensive. No deserving appeal has been made to you in vain. In the true spirit of Islamic injunction that "when you give in charity with your right hand conceal it from the left," the stream of your benevolence has very often run in secluded places without its being exposed to the light of day and its true origin being either known or suspected. It is your qualities of head and heart as well as your munificent charities to the Musalmans that have endeared you to the Muslim community, of this city, and four years ago you were elected President of the Anjuman-i-Islam of Bombay, the foremost representative Mahomedan Association of this day. We take this opportunity of thanking the Government of our beloved Sovereign His Majesty the King Emperor of India for conferring this high honour on you. We feel that it is by honouring deserving persons that the bond of love and affection which must always exist between the people and the Government is strengthened and cemented. The Muslim community of India is animated by devotion to the throne and the person of His Majesty and this feeling is greatly enhanced when we remember that one of the first acts of the new reign has been the conferring of a well deserved honour on a respected member of our community. In conclusion, Sir, it is our earnest prayer that the Lord of all Power may grant you long life to enjoy this honour and further serve your country and your co-religionists. May every happiness that life can give on this earth be yours."

The address was put in a superb silver casket and Mr. Fuzulbhoy M. Chinoy presented it to the guest of the evening.

Mr. Manoucdbhoy the eldest son of Sir Currimbhoy thereupon read the following reply on behalf of Sir Currimbhoy:—

"Your Highness and Gentlemen,—I feel deeply grateful to you for the address which you have just presented to me. My elevation to the dignity of Baronetcy has been a source of personal gratification to me, but the knowledge that the conferment of this high distinction on me has evoked your approval has greatly added to my inward satisfaction and I greatly value your congratulations. It is a source of great satisfaction to me that you take this distinction as a mark of His Majesty's desire to confer honour on the Moslem race. It bespeaks of equal consideration His Majesty extends to all classes of his distant subjects without distinction of race or colour; and of the deep interest His Majesty takes in his Moslem subjects.

"Your kind reference to my charities has deeply touched me. I have had my reward long since in the happiness and satisfaction it gave me in the thought that I was carrying out an important injunction of our religion and that I was contributing, in a way, however humble, to ameliorate the condition of my fellow-creatures. The highest merit which human nature is capable of attaining, is achieved through deeds of charity. Out of the abundance with which Providence blessed the members of our communities they have always given large sums of money in charity. Charity there always was, and abundant, but it was narrow in its range of utility, religious in its character and wanting in scientific organization. Giving of alms to the poor and needy means a kind of relief to the distressed and indigent; and it has religious sanction. It meets the approbation of the people, and is contemplated with pleasure by the giver; but when such an act of charity encourages idleness or tends to demoralise the recipient, it becomes a weakness rather than a virtue. In the light of modern education which has revolutionised human thought and human sentiments, and in view of the requirements of the stern modern age, we must allow juster notions of charity to prevail, and avail ourselves of larger opportunities which discriminating and discreet charities of a utilitarian character afford. One popular form of modern charity is the endowment for education. I have done what little I could to promote knowledge among my countrymen, but the efforts of one or of a few individuals cannot accomplish the view in end, namely the uplifting of the masses and betterment of their general conditions, and the elevation of their moral and social standard. Poverty, no doubt, has made great inroads in our community, but education is a good antidote to Poverty and I am very glad to see that our people are beginning to understand more and more the advantage of education, and any appeal for educational purpose, now meets with a spontaneous and ready response. The Mahomedan female Orphanage which was opend the other day by Their Excellencies, the Governor and Lady Clarke, is a striking illustration of the readiness and willingness of our community to come forward and help a really deserving institution. The need for a Girls' Orphanage has no doubt long been felt, but our energetic Police Commissioner, Mr. Edwardes, was, from his knowledge and experience of the City, perhaps the best qualified to say how urgent was the need for an Orphanage of this kind, and it must have given him very great satisfaction to find that his appeal was so well responded. The benefits of this Orphanage will be many and far-reaching it will give shelter to so many poor straggling girls, and help to make them good, worthy women, and its success will act as an incentive to other institutions of the like nature.

DAWN OF INDUSTRIAL ERA.

While animadverting on the theme of education let me tell you that it should be considered not in its narrow aspects but in its broader and more important out-look in view of mordern necessities. While speaking on education, I must admit that I am labouring under a disadvantage in that I am not an educationist qualified to speak upon the attractive theme. I must therefore beg to be excused for discussing the topic. But as a man of the world who has spent his life in commerce and industry, I may be permitted to say a word or two. India has now arrived at that stage of evolution which can be aptly termed "a dawn of industrial era" and two things are requisite for our success—one is capital, while the other is skilled labour. If we advertise for a clerk, we at once receive a number of applications with varying degree of educational qualifications, but when we require a craftsman or an artisan, we find it difficult to obtain skilled or trained men. True, there are now industrial schools in different places in India, but I regret to find that the Mahomedans have not as yet fully availed themselves of the existing facilities for Technical Education. The co-operation of the people themselves will be very useful in this direction for what is the use of providing facilities when they are not utilised. There is plenty of employment for them if we turn out good workmen. Our patriots should direct their attention to this important matter.

The other requisite essential for the success of our industrial enterprises is, as I have said, capital. People who have means—I wish who invest it in unproductive ornaments and jewellery, should be taught the benefits of judicious investments and the necessity of bringing out their concealed hoards.

You have been good enough to refer to my contribution to the College of Science. The need for the diffusion of specialised scientific training was great indeed and it was given to Sir George Clarke to perceive it and take steps to remedy the deficiency. For the industrial exploitation of the country and the regeneration of Indian arts and industries scientific training and scientific experiments are necessary and, gentlemen, I could not have shown my appreciation of the necessity of the trained facilities in the commercial and industrial development of the country than by the contribution that I gave. I believe in the great potentialities of the Institution, I believe in the great industrial future that has opened before us, and I consider no sacrifice too great that has for its object the development of Indian industries by diffusion of the knowledge of science. In my donation to the Science Institute, a good sum has been set apart to be devoted to giving scholarships to Mahomedan students, and I hope that these scholarships will be fully taken advantage of by Mahomedan boys.

INDO-MOSLEM ENTENTE.

Gentlemen, this is a season of amenities. I had alluded to the need of the Indo-Moslem entente in my speech at Poona about two months ago. Ever since his arrival in India, Sir George Clarke has been devoting his attention to the useful task of directing our energies to secure national unity. Lord Hardinge has already pronounced that his mission in India will be to unite Indians in one indissoluble bond of common brotherhood. Our late King sirected the foreign policy and secured the peace of the world. Our present King has already commenced the noble work of uniting hearts in his own dominions. The announcement of His Majesty's visit to India has caused wide-felt satisfaction. It is regarded as the event of the century, and it is superfluous to add that Hindoos, Mahomedans, and Parsis will unite in paying homage to their beloved Sovereign. One common impulse, one common ideal, one common goal, namely deep loyalty to the person of His Majesty will fill the breasts of every soul in India. There is one common ideal for securing unity, namely the person and throne of His Majesty King George V. Let us then work towards the one desirable end in the interest of India, which will please God and please our Emperor. Gentlemen, the future is in our hands, then let us embrace it with both hands and work for the common good of the country under the aegis of the British Crown. (Applause.)

Sir Currimbhoy and the Nawab of Palanpur were then garlanded and the party adjourned to the garden for refreshments which were sumptuously provided.

The guests dispersed at a late hour in the night after giving three cheers to the Mahomedan Baronet.

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BOMBAY HIGH COURT.

NASIK CONSPIRACY CASE.

The further hearing of the Nasik conspiracy case was resumed on Tuesday at the Bombay High Court before the Special Tribunal consisting of the Hon'ble Sir Basil Scott, the Hon'ble Sir Justice Chandavarkar and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Heaten.

Mr. Gadgil further addressed the Court. Dealing with the case against Bhat, counsel submitted that the correspondence, between him and Savarkar, who was his relative, revealed nothing that incriminated him or involved him in the conspiracy. Again, his speech at the Nasik meeting was in no way of a revolutionary character. Counsel then proceeded to comment on the evidence against this accused.

Further hearing was adjourned.

DISPUTE REGARDING BAWA.

On the Appellate Side of the Bombay High Court yesterday, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Batchelor and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rao disposed of the application for revision of an order made by Mr. E. Byramshaw, City Magistrate of Ahmedabad, who convicted Somnath Hargowan and three others of abuse and assault with a fist and sentenced them to a fine of Rs. 30 each.

Mr. Tricumlal B. Desai appeared for the accused.

It appeared that the complainant Motatlal and the accused had a dispute in respect of the removal of a "Bawa" from a temple in the street in which the parties resided. The accused abused and assaulted the complainant.

Their Lordships dismissed the application.

CAUSING HURT TO HIS WIFE.

On the Appellate Side of the Bombay High Court yesterday, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Batchelor and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rao disposed of the appeal of Somaya Iraya, who was convicted of voluntarily causing grievous hurt to his wife by Mr. S. Walker, Sessions Judge of Kanara, and sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

The accused admitted having caused injuries to his wife, but pleaded insanity.

The Sessions Judge convicted him of the offence and said that had the parties been strangers, he should have considered that ten years' imprisonment was not too much for this offence, but as they were husband and wife, the only effect of such sentence would be that the woman and her three children would be rendered destitute. He therefore sentenced the accused as above stated.

Their Lordships dismissed the appeal.

RECOURSE TO CRIMINAL COURTS.

Complainant's Application Rejected.

On the Appellate Side of the Bombay High Court, yesterday, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Batchelor and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rao disposed of an application for revision made by Mr. P. D. Bhide on behalf of one Ardeshir Kawasji Patel who was ordered by Mr. Henry Campbell, acting Chief Presidency Magistrate, to pay Rs. 50 to each of the following three men whom he had charged with cheating and abetment thereof: (1) Lalchand P. Mehta, (2) Gustadji Dorabji, and (3) Ratilal.

It appeared that in this case the magistrate found that it was a most vexatious complaint and was one which showed that the process of his Court had been used in order to squeeze money out of debtors. He, therefore, ordered the complainant to pay the above stated amount to the accused.

Their Lordships, in rejecting the application, said they were satisfied that the learned Magistrate's view was right and in their Lordships' opinion it was highly important to stop recourse to the Criminal Court as a means of putting pressure upon recalcitrant debtors. The application was rejected.

POLICE COURTS.

THEFT BY A DUMB DOMESTIC.

YESTERDAY, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Spiers charged a dumb Native Christian with the theft of wearing apparel, valued at Rs. 12, belonging to Ardeshir Pestonji, manager of the Refreshment Room at Karjat.

It appeared from the evidence that the accused was employed as a domestic servant at the complainant's house. A few days ago the complainant missed the property, and the accused was also missing. On the 14th instant the accused was found wandering near the Bombay Gymkhana, the custodian of which handed him over to a policeman. On inquiries being made, the complainant was found and identified the property as his. The accused pleaded guilty. He was convicted and sentenced to undergo five days, simple imprisonment.

THE BIG SEIZURE OF COCAINE.

Second Accused on Trial.

At the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, Third Presidency Magistrate, Superintendent Walton charged Mizza Karlo, a fireman on board the s. s. "Koerber," with importing, or in the alternative with being in possession of 23,148 grains of cocaine without a license. Mr. S. B. Kapadia, pleader, defended the accused. The case for the prosecution was that in consequence of certain information received, several officers of the Preventive Service proceeded to the s. s. "Koerber" on the 18th instant, when they searched the accused's berth No. 54 and found the above quantity of cocaine. The accused pleaded not guilty, stating he knew nothing about the cocaine, which was found from berth No. 53, which belonged to Capoto Karlo, who had already been convicted for importing cocaine into Bombay without a license. After hearing the evidence in the case his Worship reserved judgment.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

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HOW TO KEEP WELL IN INDIA.

A Physician's Valuable Words.

"Your stomach is only three-quarters of a stomach in India."

Those words of a distinguished officer in the Indian Army contain more practical wisdom than is to be found between the covers of many scientific manuals. While it is true the world over that "it is not what we eat, but what we digest, that does us good," it is doubly true in India, where the digestive machinery is, so to speak, a lowpower one. As Sir Thomas Stevenson and Sir Shirley Murphy have written, in the well-known treatise of hygiene which they edited, "the digestive powers are lessened, the nervous system is depressed, the functions of respiration and blood making, and the power of forming new and healthy tissue are all decreased in India. . . . The lungs and the heart, according to Parkes, show dwindling of structure, while the liver, spleen, and intestines are all more or less liable to become diseased."

It is, however, within the knowledge of everyone that life may be lived well and happily in India, provided it is remembered that the digestive system is the key which opens, alike, the doors of health and disease, for the nutrition of the whole body depends on it.

As, moreover, digestive disorders are the invariable forerunners of Enteric, Dysentery and other diseases, it is essential that primary care should be devoted to our food and drink, for the laws of personal hygiene which deal with cleanliness, clothing, etc., are generally known.

THE VITAL NEED OF PHOSPHORUS.

One of the essential requirements for healthy life is phosphorus, which, as that distinguished physician, Sir William Gowers, has shown, is not only necessary for the manufacture of red blood corpuscles in their proper quantity and quality, but is also required for maintaining the delicate poise of the nervous system; and the final, healthy action of each organ depends on the proper stimulus it derives from the nervous system.

This phosphorus must, however, be supplied in a form which is easily digested, so that it can be readily assimilated and rapidly used to supply the overdrafts which the body constantly makes upon it under the exacting conditions of the Indian climate.

In its crude form phosphorus is quite useless, if not actually harmful. To exercise its physiological benefits it must be in what chemists call organic combination," so that the body may utilise its vital properties.

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THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours, ending at 6 a.m. yesterday give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Total deaths from all causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	4
B Mandvi, Chakla, Umerkhadi and Dungri	0	0	5
C Market Dhobi Talao, Pansawady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Khetwadi	0	2	24
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	0	0	14
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	18
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	6
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	12
Harbour	0	0	0
Hospital	0	0	4
Total	0	2	87
This day last year	1	1	77

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.

December 19th 1910.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead	Found infected.
A	121	62	1
B	124	75	2
B	220	124	3
C	140	89	1
D	158	74	0
E	160	38	1
E	103	100	0
F	94	7	0
G	54	6	0
Total	1,171	575	12
Same date last year			1,746

Owing to ill-health Mr. Goodfellow, the leader of the British Expedition to Dutch New Guinea, has been compelled to return home. The committee of the British Ornithologists' Union have appointed in his place Capt. C. G. Rawling, who represents the Royal Geographical Society on the expeditions. Capt Rawling's experience as a leader of exploring expeditions in Central Asia will no doubt be of service to him in the trying position which he is now called upon to fill, and there is every reason to hope that he may ultimately reach those snow mountains which are the goal of the expedition.

The new designs for British gold and bronze coins, which are to come into force on Jan. 1, are determined by a Royal Proclamation published in the "London Gazette" of Nov. 29. The coins authorised are:—Gold—Five-pound and two-pound pieces, sovereign and half sovereign. Bronze—Penny, halfpenny, and farthing. The designs will be the same as those of the King Edward coinage, except, of course, that they will bear the effigy of King George and be inscribed "Georgius V."

LADIES' CORNER.

THE WOMAN CANVASSER.

"I might address envelopes, or even distribute handbills, but I simply couldn't canvass—I'm no good in an argument," says the average woman. She thinks that every voter is a politician with fixed views, and that canvassing means that she will be expected to undertake, on a doorstep, the conversion of a confirmed Radical into a Tariff Reformer. Hugging this and other delusions to her soul, she is afraid to come forward and help the cause, simply because she is sure she would do more harm than good. It is not, however, the amateur politician who determines elections, but the man who changes his opinions frequently, or who takes very little interest in politics at all, and this voter is easily swayed and can be influenced, even by a woman, if she sets about the work in the right way. Canvassing in its simplest form is only a house-to-house visitation to ascertain the politics of each voter. The canvasser is usually furnished with a number of small cards containing the name and address of each voter, spaces marked "For" and "Against," and another and larger space for remarks. When the voter is an avowed Conservative a cross is put against the "For"; if he is an opponent, the cross goes in the "Against" space; and if he is doubtful the fact is noted, together with other information, in the larger space.

CANVASSING AT NIGHT.

The woman who will canvass at night, preferably between seven and nine, is the more useful, but daylight canvassers are by no means to be despised, for the women of a household will usually have a shrewd notion as to the politics of the voter. "My husband's agin' the Lords, that I do know," one woman will say; or, "Its no good coming ere for a vote for them Conservatives; we are all red-hot Radicals, we are." Sometimes, the very tone of the reply will imply a doubt. "Well, he's always voted Liberal up to now," one will say, and then the business of the canvassar is to ascertain the best time to find the man at home and in a good humour, his occupation (so that leaflets dealing with aspects of the election likely to appeal to him may be left), and, to some extent, his point of view also. You may hear, for instance, "My Bill, he doesn' believe in Tariff Reform, but he fair 'ates the Socialists." While the men are, at the moment being persuaded that the abolition of the house of Lords will mean the arrival of the Millennium, the threat of dear food is naturally an impressive one to the wife of the working man or poor clerk who has a trouble to make both ends meet at the best of times, and it is one raised by nearly every woman I have encountered while canvassing, since Tariff Reform became a plank in our platform. I always arm myself, therefore, with a leaflet published by the Tariff Reform League and headed "A Word to Women." I also find it useful to point out that any Government who brought back "the hungry Forties" would not only get thrown out of power very quickly but would stand no chance of ever getting back again, and "even the Conservatives have sense enough to know that." It is well to point out that if bread is twopence a loaf and you have only a penny with which to buy, you are worse off than if bread is fourpence and you have sixpence to spend on it.

MISTAKE OF BEING TOO FRIENDLY.

Do not make the mistake of being too friendly. The canvasser who "gushes," shakes hands with every woman as soon as she opens the door, and kisses the children, is looked upon with suspicion and contempt. It is better to begin with an apology for being a nuisance, a straightforward question, and an allusion to the crisis at hand. Gradually work on the "we women" lines and be as friendly as you like by the time you say good bye. The working woman likes people to "keep their places," and resents a patronising descent quite as much as an assumption of superiority, while the time has long since passed when votes were to be gained by an affection of the "all men are equal" doctrine. A great deal of stress is usually placed upon the question of clothes, says a writer in the "Pall Mall Gazette" and I have often read articles advising people to don their smartest attire, but this is surely a great mistake. In these days, when "the idle rich" has become a popular phrase, it is not wise to accentuate the difference between rich and poor; a rough tweed costume plain shirt, and small hat—the kind of costume in which the sensible woman goes golfing, in fact—is the proper attire to wear when canvassing small houses. In the case of the suburban middle class quarters, however, you cannot be too smart. Personally, I believe that a woman canvasser should not attempt obvious endeavours to convert opponents and waverers. Men are odd creatures, and lots of them would sooner remain in a state of error than be talked over by a woman. I find it best to intimate that while so-and-so is undoubtedly the case, "Being a woman, I cannot expect you to believe me about it," and then get a definite appointment for a male canvasser to "follow up."

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BY THE WAY.

REFORMING THE CALENDAR.

Many schemes of calendar-reform have been put forward of recent years, all of which provide for a symmetrical arrangement of the months of the year so that they shall always begin with the same day of the week; but Governments have hitherto fought shy of tackling so apparently simple a task. The Swiss Federal Council, however, has just decided to call an international conference to deal with this matter, and is prepared with a scheme which will allot to every normal year 364 days divided into exactly fifty-two weeks and four quarters. Each quarter will have two thirty-day months and one thirty-one-day month. New year's Day is a special undated festival, and a similar holiday will be inserted between June 31 and July 1 to provide for the extra day in leap years. This is practically the same calendar as was discussed last June by the International Congress of Chambers of Commerce in London and suggested for adoption in 1911 when New Year's Day, falling on Sunday, could conveniently become the first New Year's Festival.

DR. HAECKEL'S SECESSION.

A propos of the announcement that the famous German naturalist Dr. Ernst Haeckel has formally seceded from the Lutheran Church, it is probably not generally known in this country that in Prussia such a secession is accompanied by strict legal formalities to which, as a matter of course, the police are parties. Every person is assumed, unless he possess the requisite documentary proofs to the contrary, to belong to one or another of the three Churches recognised by the State—the Lutheran, the Roman Catholic, and the Jewish. These Churches have the right to levy taxes on their—members or rather, as it very often happens nominal members—and can enforce payment of the taxes by law. If a man wishes to cut himself adrift from church responsibility he must make a sworn affidavit, and this has to be countersigned by the police authorities. Having thus formally seceded, however, the Church ceases to have any claim on him.

ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH

Ashby-de-la-Zouch where the Duke of Norfolk spoke on mail week is well known to all readers of "Ivanhoe." It has now lost much of its ancient importance, but once may still see the scene of the tournaments, of which the Lords of Ashby were patrons, and the Castle where Mary Queen of Scots resided as a prisoner, wher James I. and his Queen were magnificently entertained, and which stood out for King Charles during the Civil War.

THE CREED OF A MODERATOR-ELECT.

The Rev. Dr. James Wells, the Moderator-elect o the United Free Church of Scotland, makes this statement regarding his belief. As to my creed, I cannot sympathise with those who would pare down to the bleeding quick the fundamentals of our faith. The Christianity of Christ and the Apostles is to me a living unity, the great essentials of which are revealed with sufficient plainness. I have found it easier to believe the whole of that Christianity than to believe the half of it or the quarter of it. Dr. Wells has contributed largely to devotional literature.

LUCKY MELTON!

Melton, who has died from senile decay at the advanced age of twenty-eight, has been more fortunate in his life and its ending than most of his fellow-winners of the Derby, so many of whom have either died comparatively young or, like Blue Gown, King-craft, and Persimmon, have come to a tragic end. Amato, like Melton, lived to a good old age, and found an honoured resting place in Lord Rosebery's grounds at Epsom; Lord Lyon was a patriarch when a bullet put a painless end to his existence; Kisber died in Hungary twenty years after his day of glory; and George Frederick was very old when he died on a Canadian farm. Melton's memory will be preserved by his hide, head, and hoofs, thus enjoying a post mortem survival, like Donovan, Eclipse, and Hermit, whose skeletons are still to be seen.

A GLADSTONE STORY.

Mr. E. F. Benson, in an article on the winter charms of Grindelwald in "Travel and Exploration," tells an anecdote of Mr. Gladstone. It seems that at a country house one morning the guests were discussing at breakfast the right way of packing a sponge-bag, when the sponge has been used and is consequently water-logged. Mr. Gladstone, who had apparently been solely absorbed by his morning's correspondence, suddenly closed the discussions by informing the party that they were all wrong. "The only proper method is to warp it up in your bath-towel, and stamp upon it. Then put it in your sponge-bag. You will find it perfectly dry."

SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND POACHERS.

Salmon-fishing is a sport which may be engaged in on the French rivers at little cost. But the sport is not very alluring. The reason of this, it appear is that there is an army of 75,000 men who have quartered themselves in the neighbourhood of the estuaries of the rivers and live by poaching, their principal attention being directed to the netting of salmon fry on their way to the sea. According to the Under-Secretary of Marine, there are villages in Brittanny where the peasants actually feed their pigs with the immature fish. There is a law, it is true, protecting salmon fry, but hitherto it has been a dead letter. The Government now, however, have made up their minds to enforce it. But with 75,000 poachers to dispose of they will, as a contemporary remarks, have a tough task.

ELECTRICAL DEVELOPMENT IN NEW ZEALAND.

New Zealand is one of the best-watered countries in the world. There are lakes and rivers everywhere, and it is essentially a country of beautiful waterfalls. The New Zealand people are now taking in hand the question of converting this waste power into electrical energy for the lighting of townships and the driving of machinery for industrial purposes. Dr. Graham Bell, a wellknown American economic scientist, who is at present in New Zealand, is most enthusiastic respecting the great possibilities of electrical development in New Zealand.

KING MANUEL'S WARDROBE.

King Manuel's clothes and personal effects have arrived in England from Lisbon, and been forwarded to Wood Norton. The wardrobe was a modest one for a Sovereign, and most of the articles were contained in fifty-eight trunks and boxes. These were brought from Lisbon by a representative of the King. "The great difficulty," said this gentleman to an interviewer, "seemed to be that the new Government could not distinguish between the things which belonged personally to King Manuel and those which belonged to the State. Eventually a committee of six was appointed to go with me to the Necessidades Palace and decide which articles I was entitled to bring to England. The new Government had been most scrupulous, and nothing had been touched. In the King's bedroom, for instance, the bed was just as he left it, and there was a pathetic touched in the sword, which had been hurriedly placed on a chair after the official banquet. The committee were very diffident about their duties. Any little thing which by any possible chance could be the personal property of the King they insisted must go into my inventory. I was astonished at the Modesty of King Manuel's wardrobe. There were perhaps, a couple of dozen suits of clothes which would have shamed many a wealthy stockbroker."

WON £64,000 AT MONTE CARLO.

Mr. W. Darnbrough is one of the lukiest men who have played at Monte Carlo for some time. He has left Paris for London with £64,000 which he has won during a month's stay. The first day he played, the "Express" says he risked £1,200 and won heavily. He continued, and at one time had a credit balance of £93,000. From that moment his luck turned and he won and lost from £12,000 to £16,000 a day. He finally decided that he had passed the maximum of good luck, and so let well alone.

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The promise of a new edition of Mme, du Deffand's letters to Horace Walpole, including 500 hitherto unpublished and 11 by Walpole himself, is matter of great interest. It is improbable, indeed, that many will care to read through the whole collection. One would require the leisure and pertinacity of FitzGerald at Little Grange to carry off such an achievement, and probably if one were so favourably situated one would turn, like FitzGerald himself, to Mme. de Sevigne instead. Nevertheless there are people who prefer a book, as they do a wood, in which they can "lose themselves," and they, no doubt will welcome the new work, while memoir writers will range through the volumes in search for new light upon the eminent members of the circle of the Convent of St. Joseph and for fresh anecdotes with which to illumine their pages. Moreover, it is worth remembering that such collections of letters are, when excellent, one of the distinctive products of French literature. The epistolary is that which most nearly approximates to the conversational style, and as, in the salons, the art of conversation reached a pitch of perfection unattained elsewhere, it is natural that letters written by eminent salonieres should be in like manner perfect. Thus Brunetiere says: "It is true we have neither a Milton nor a Shakspere, a 'Paradise Lost' nor a 'Hamlet'; we have neither a Goethe nor a Kant; yet in no literature since letters were written is there anything comparable to the correspondence of Voltaire or to that of Mme. de Sevigne, anything comparable even to that of Mme. du Deffand or Mlle. de Lespinasse; and that is something worth laying store by."

THE OUTCOME OF AFFECTION.

The letters to Walpole were the outcome of an affection which is one of the most curious facts in the Marquise's life. That the blind, white-haired sibyl, with her sad clairvoyance into the nothingness of life and her brilliant gift of speech and pen, should have seen so much in the Englishman is hard to explain, but she admired him up to the point of infatuation. One evening on his arrival at Paris she visited him, and made her blindness an excuse for sitting with him during his toilet. When he was present at her receptions she neglected her other guests for him; when he was absent her guests were nothing to her. She would have made him her heir, at the expense of her nephew the Marquis d'Aulan, if he would have allowed her, and as it was she left him all her books and papers. In one of her last letters, contemplating death, she says, "Ne vous devant revoir, je n'ai rien a regretter." Letters of hers to the number of 800 were sold at the Strawberry Hill sale of 1842. A selection had been published in England in 1810 and another in France in 1864. Odd letters have from time to time come to light, but of course the discoveries of Mrs. Paget Toynbee beat the record. The eleven letters of Walpole himself are a more curious matter. In 1774 Walpole, anxious lest letters of his written in a foreign language and full of personal talk should fall into unfriendly hands commissioned his friend General Conway, who was visiting Paris, to reclaim them for him, and they were returned. As for the letters which Walpole continued to write, they were supposed to be burned, all except those of the last year of the Marquise's life, which were duly restored upon her death. The fact that eleven have been recovered suggests that the destruction has not been so complete as some researchers have feared, and it would be interesting if they proved to be the uprop of a rich vein as yet undiscovered and unwrought.

"BLACK BEAUTY."

The boys in knickers are bearded men to-day who read "Black Beauty" on its first appearance. At that time Arthur still reigned at Camelot, Little Snow White was living with the Seven Dwarfs among the mountains wild, and Jack was having great ado driving the giants out of Cornwall. In other words, it was the year 1877. In spite of the lapse of time, however, it is the testimony of men in the trade that the book still sells. There are boys and girls still who inhale with conviction the delightful Sandford-and-Mertonish atmosphere of the tale, who glow with indignation over the use of bearing-reins and the wicked, cruel men who dock the tails and crop the ears of puppy dogs, who shed glad tears when 'Black Beauty's' troubles are over and the groom exclaims, "Why, Beauty! Beauty! do you know me, little Joe Green, that almost killed you?" The book seems to have won a secure place as a nursery classic, and if the adventures of Alice tickle children one way those of 'Black Beauty' tickle them another. The vogue, of course, has not been confined to England, and a writer in the United States "National Magazine" has been giving an account of its American popularity. It was thirteen years old before our cousins of the West became conscious of its existence, but in 1890 it fell into the hands of Mr. George T. Angell, who had been for twenty years on the look-out for a book which would do as much towards abolishing cruelty to horses as "Uncle Tom's Cabin" had done towards abolishing slavery. The American Humane Education Society thereupon published it, and within ninety days had disposed of 70,000 copies. Up to the present time that Society alone has sold 800,000 copies and it is calculated that, including the editions issued by other publishers in the United States, the total sales run up to between two and three millions. In the meantime it has been translated into many languages by the Humane Education Society—into Arabic, Hindustani, Telegu, Italian, Greek, French Swedish, Spanish, and German.—and "only the other day a traveller to China related that she had seen the story printed as a serial in a native magazine at Shanghai. Unfortunately, the authoress, Anna Sewell, did not enjoy any large portion of this success, as she died within a year of the publication of her book. It was written by her when she was lying; an invalid, on a sofa; it took six years to write, and she sold the manuscript outright for £20.

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

The early nineteen century writers were, it is known, much more abundant in their explanatory notes than their successors have proved. Once in a blue moon Swinburne may jot down a line of Greek at the foot of the page to acknowledge a debt to Sappho, or Rossetti in a couple of lines may describe a picture to which he is alluding, but the notes in the old days added to the bulk of the volume. They often, however, reflected the author as well as the book itself, did. Thus Scott is sometimes better than Scott in his notes, and the reader is unwise who lays down a novel or one of the poems without scratching for a pearl in the appendix. Similarly, the whole cycle of Byron's development may be traced between the schoolboyish jottings to the "Hours of Idleness" and the witty, sarcastic, and sometimes learned notes to "Don Juan." De Quincey is notorious. He excels and exceeds in notes. One dimply remembers a triple note, each explaining some point in its predecessor. Shelley also has his notes, and in his just published "Autobiography" Professor Blackie tells us he made his first acquaintance with "Queen Mab" on a journey to Munich from Venice, and thought highly of the poet, but liked the notes better than the verse, being by one of them converted for a fortnight to vegetarianism. Now, what the note on vegetarianism reflects of Shelley is chiefly his lack of humour. He argues that primitive myths show that the introduction of all evil into the world was due to the cultivation of unnatural appetites. The forbidden fruit cannot be otherwise explained, nor the Prometheus legend. The latter, indeed, is a subtle point. Evil, according to it, came with the introduction of fire why? Because fire is the cook's instrument. In his notes to "Queen Mab" Shelley is always generous, although often illogical, and the book bears the mark of having been written during what should have been a probation of silence.

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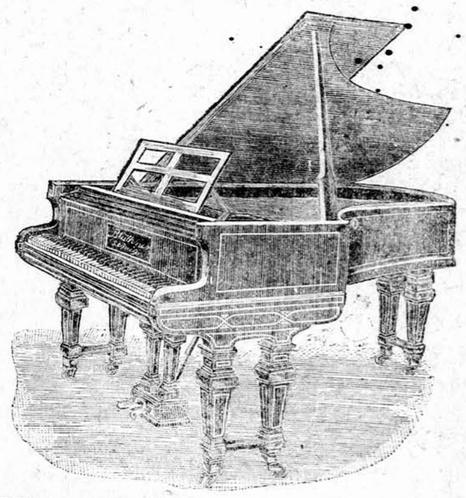

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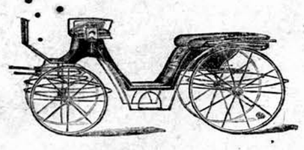

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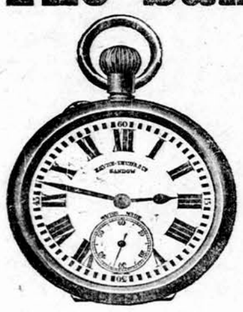

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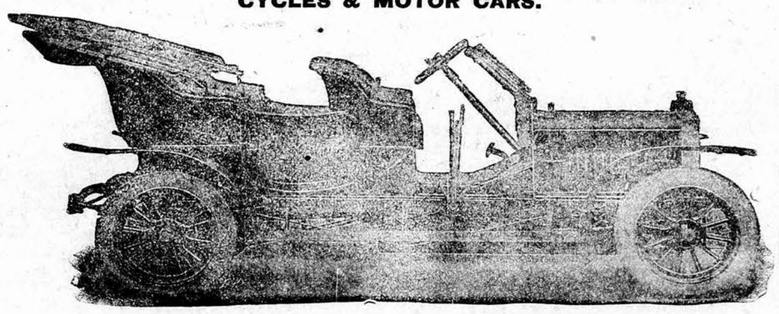

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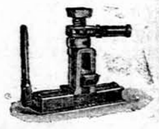

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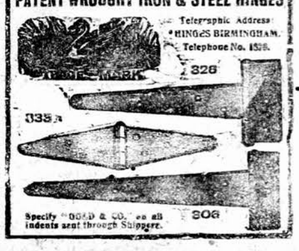

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